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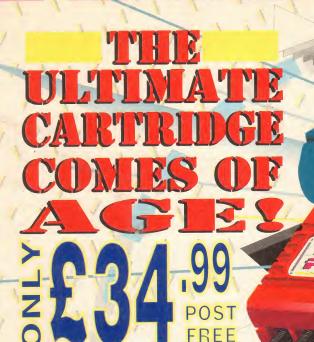
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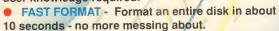
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Eeek! The end of the mag already. Best have a snifter of what's on for Issue #12. Wow we'll be one year old!



Hey! Have we done the 'stick it' gag yet? Several times? Damn!

The Codies' newire will 'hive' you kept buzzy 'til the bees 'comb' home (insert groaning noises here).....50

Cor! Two footy games in one month - does someone know something we don't?....

A mixture of football strategy and arcade action greeted by a

'Two tapes to tango' sang Billy Flippit, easing his hallowed Reel **Action cassettes from their boxes. 'I** can't believe it, the games just keep getting better'. Then his mum called him for tea. Apparently.

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Whip those toughies with another tape-bound cheetarama. It's most delish — not to mention new and improved...

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vishful thinking

nother issue, another monster helping of topnotch C64 action. In possibly our most game-packed issue to date, we've got the final instalment of our exclusive Lemmings diary, our all-time top 100 games, seven pages of tips... the list goes on. Of course, Alien 3, Lemmings and Mayhem in Monsterland haven't arrived for full review yet, but we've been promised they'll get here next month. Which perhaps is a problem in itself — all three are set to be true C64 classics, so which one gets Rave Review? It never rains, but it pours... So, what do the coming months have in store for the C64? Not much, we're afraid. What's set to arrive looks to be of the highest quality, but there's not much of it, is there? A few budget rereleases, roughly five original full-pricers... it's a sorry situation for the biggest-selling home computer ever to be in. So why not write to your favourite software houses? If it was made clear that the C64 is very much alive and kicking, its users eager for software, then perhaps we'll see a little more arrive. Above all, we here at COMMODORE FORCE know fully well there's a large amount of active C64 owners, simply because our sales figures say so. So, here's looking at you, C64sters. Make your feelings known, and perhaps the future could be a little rosier for Commodore's wonderbox. Rest assured that, no matter what, **COMMODORE FORCE will still**

deliver two game-packed tapes, and many pages of the best in C64 action.

May The Force (and software, hopefully) Be With You!

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James Price

Editor

e're not sure whether it's a common saying - we're sure we've heard it a few times before — but it's about buses. You wait hours for one to arrive, only to be confronted by several at once. The same could be said about C64 save-'emups. We've been waiting for Lemmings to appear for the past year or two, and when it's about to, we discover its nearest clone — the strangely-named *Troddlers* — is to be released as well! Such is life, eh?

For those unfamiliar with the game, read on. Everyone else can skip to the last paragraph, or something...

In a storyline similar to Walt Disney's Fantasia, Hokus and Pokus are two mischievous novice magicians serving a powerful sorcerer, Divinus. Between magic lessons, instead of scrubbing floors and washing windows, the pair prefer to sneak off and read comics. Fed up with their slacking, Divinus decides to create his own workers, and his spell-casting and incantations create the ultimate servants -Troddlers, small creatures who work forever unless

told otherwise. But

Divinus's dream.

disaster, in the form of

Hokus and Pokus, shatter

One day, while he's away from the castle, the apprentices stumble across a packet of Divinus's new invention — instant Troddlers, with 'just add water' written on the label. Several buckets of water later, the little creatures were wandering (troddling?) everywhere. Worse still, Hokus and Pokus neglected to read the small print on the label: 'Under no circumstances should Troddlers go near a teleporter, lest they turn into zombies. Eeek. What happens next is predictable enough, and gameplay proper begins when an enraged Divinus orders the troublesome twosome to follow the creatures into the teleport and retrieve them.

Unlike Lemmings, the action in Troddlers is contained to a single screen. However, the little fellows don't have a problem with gravity

walking on ceilings is an everyday event. In essence, the idea of the game is the same as 'that other one' — the Troddlers have to be guided into

an exit by the player. A twoplayer mode adds depth to other versions, but we're not sure if the C64 version will incorporate this.

Having played Troddlers on the SNES and Amiga, we've got to say that, in some respects, it's a poor man's Lemmings, but who knows? Perhaps the C64 conversion will convert us. More

news as it arrives...

ay! It's time for more competition winners! After wading through absolutely huge amounts of entries, we've finally drawn the winners from a few impressively large sacks. The actual competitions (and their respective winners) are as follows...

elebrating the launch of their Sports compilation, Zeppelin offered one lucky reader opportunity to win a copy of that very five game collection, as well as their entire back catalogue over 50 games in all. That person was:

P Savage, Chippenham, Wiltshire.

Congratulations, 'P' - expect a bumper bundle to arrive with you in the not-too-distant future. The runners up are as follows:

Martin Fennell (Darvel), Robert Harvey (Harlow), Shane Murray (Ireland), Stuart Le Grioe (Essex), Martyn Yeardley (Sheffield), P Coggles (Eastbourne), Elouise Free (Bingley), Matthew Egerton (Northwich).

Oh, and by the way — while we know that multiple entries are a cunning and often successful method of winning competitions, that doesn't mean we tolerate it. Bad luck, S Rogalson better luck next time, eh?



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ands up who's got a Mega Drive?
No, no, stop throwing the tomatoes, aghh... wait! You see, while console owners are to be pitied to a certain extent, they're about to get one over C64sters all over the world. Up until now, there's only been one quality magazine for MD and MCD users — Sega Force Mega. But no more! Impact Magazines — the company that brings you COMMODORE FORCE and... oooh, lots of other magazines — are, after the raging success of SFM, just about to launch yet another Sega mag! Called

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Mega Machines, it's set to hit the shelves any time now — it looks ruddy marvellous too. So, even if you're not a console bod yourself, now's the time to point your friends in its direction; after all, you wouldn't want them to be buying lesser mags, would you? Also, its Managing

Editor is none other than Steve Shields — he of little chin and much attitude — so you're guarantied a darn fine magazine, full of exclusives, the hottest new info on anything that's hot, and none of those little typing errors

'cause he's good at spotting those. Very good. In fact, did you know that when James became Deputy Editor, Steve... (Snip — Ed)

WHO'S DOING WHAT? THE CREW AND THEIR CONFLICTS

JAMES PRICE

This month, James has had to deal with the Tipstergate fiasco. 'Look, I don't care which one of you does the tips' he said, before adding 'but could you please stop fighting?'. After a little discussion, he decided the best solution was... bribery! 'He who rewards me with sweets aplenty shalt become the new Tipster' he said mysteriously, before sloping off in the direction of the nearest public house.

CHRIS HAYWARD

'No you can't have my tips section' roared Chris before hurling at cassette recorder at Miles. 'I am the Tipster! I shall not be moved'. When it was pointed out that he was sitting on several explosive devices planted by Miles earlier, the Tipster's usual iron resolve soon crumbled. 'That's it' he said, adding 'I'm off to work for a

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MILES GUTTERY

Miles has been canvassing for votes around the office this month. 'Vote Miles for Tipster' read the posters, while the hairy

one had an idea. 'I'm just off to kiss a baby like all the big politicians do' he enthused, and left the office. He returned a few minutes later with a rattle lodged in his ear, but no-one's had the heart to ask him what happened...

MILES' CAR DOES

wo competitions run in conjunction with Zeppelin, both offering their entire back catalogue as the main prize? Well yes — we know variation took a back seat when we ran the two similar compos consecutively, but the prizes on offer were so impressive, we couldn't resist it. Neither could you lot, judging by the response — Chris was so stressed at the prospect of judging it, he threw Miles' lunchbox in Ludlow's fast-flowing river. It's a pity Miles was holding it at the time, but we've no doubt he'll be back in time for next issue...

The winner of Zeppelin's entire back catalogue was:



console magazine'. Is this the end of Chris?

Øyvind Antonsen, Norway

Five runners up were given the oppo

Five runners up were given the opportunity to choose five games of their choice. They were as follows:

M Livingstone (Croydon), Simon Church (South Humberside), Neil Macdonald (Fife), Michael Morrison (Gateshead), James Batchelor (Colchester).



GARGANTUAN GIVEAWAY

computer Cavern offered us £200 worth of software to give away, so that we did — Issue Eight's comp has been a raging success. However, to spice things ups a bit, we added

a tie-break question to... well, help avoid the inevitable tie-break. As we're running out of space, the names of the winners are available on request. However, after his answer to the question 'If I recieved £200 worth of software, I would...', we'd advise a certain Craig Ward of Woodlesford to keep his head down for a while. Smell like Lloyd Mangram's pants indeed...

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o, aside from playing games, what else do you do with your C64? If you're a keen artist with the knowledge and ability to create, or even if you're not, the NCET (National Council for Educational Technology) are organising something that may interest you. Basically, they're looking to encourage the creative use of computers in a nationwide competition, that either individuals or teams (ie from schools) can enter. The only real condition is that entrants be nineteen

years of age or younger. NCET have said that entrants may submit either a multimedia composition or a resource collection. The term multimedia refers to the computer-based technology that enables the mixing of text and graphics with motion, video, animation and photographic images. So, better get your C64 up and running, eh? For more information and an entry form, write to: NEMA OFFICE, NCET, Sir William Lyons Road, Science Park, Coventry CV4 7EZ.

orgive us for the crap heading, but - under the circumstances --- we couldn't resist it. ELSPA, or the European Leisure Software Publishers Association, have recently took steps towards 'adopting an agreed set of standards, allowing the video games industry to take its first steps towards addressing current public worries and concerns'. In other words, subsequent to the current row over games such as Night Trap on the Mega CD and Mortal Kombat, they're currently becoming registered

members of the VSC Code of Practice. This, in real terms, will mean ELSPA members — including many of the larger software houses - will be obliged to put a classified rating on any game that contains cinematic scenes of a sexual or violent nature'. Most software will be exempt from classification don't worry, Lemmings isn't going to be a '15' but we're a bit disappointed there won't be a ban on console-style platform games. Darn..

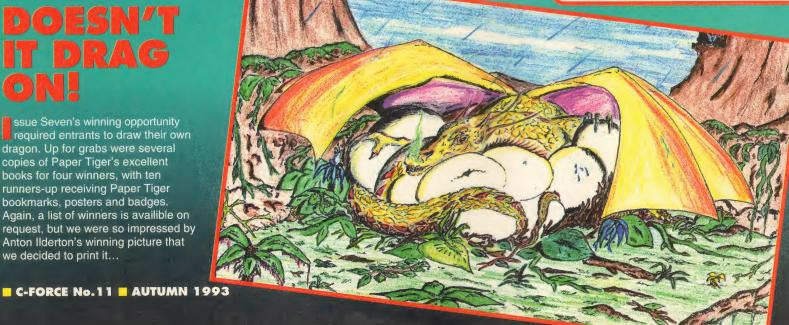
s well as having finishing his updated version of Sceptre of Baghdad --- see last issue - Jon Wells (its programmer) is just putting the finishing touches to his new shoot-'em-up, Breakthrough. The preview copy we've seen is, while nothing new or spectacular, an enjoyable blasting romp. However, in its favour are its two-player mode, atmospheric soundtrack and — most importantly — its cost. Jon's planning to release it himself, through mail order, for a meagre £2. A bargain, yes? You bet your socks it is. Look out for a review in — hopefully — next month's COMMODORE







ssue Seven's winning opportunity required entrants to draw their own dragon. Up for grabs were several copies of Paper Tiger's excellent books for four winners, with ten runners-up receiving Paper Tiger bookmarks, posters and badges. Again, a list of winners is availible on request, but we were so impressed by Anton Ilderton's winning picture that we decided to print it...



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Starfleet Command intended to send Captain Neil Armstrong to

destroy this evil plot, but due to an error on the notoriously unreliable series seven astro-telex, our hero, Captain Rover Pawstrong has been send instead. Vastly inexperienced and totally unsuited for the task, Captain Pawstrong's mission is to capture or destroy every one of the Tasty Space Griffins.

You control his movements as he scours the planet, above and below ground, aided only by the occasional visit of a scout craft, dropping off essential supplies.



To collect an item, stop Captain Pawstrong alongside a box and press the fire button. Once collected, each item can be used to aid your mission.

To select an item, stop Pawstrong, pull the joystick down until the desired item is displayed. Press fire and this will become the current item. Each time an object is selected, the last one used is lost, and will need to be collected again. Should you decide not to use any item, push forward on the joystick to regain control of Rover.





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over obstacles. Use to gain a height advantage, and dive on the Griffin.

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speed and the ability to pass

Fires missiles, obviously.



Transports Rover to his laser gun in the valley.





Solve this for extra points

Needed to explore the subterranean caverns.



Deadly ray gun — brings instant death to all in its path.







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The Caverns

Before entering the caverns, make sure you've collected a Space Lamp otherwise, you won't be able to see a thing. Also, look out for and collect the ammunition lying around — this is essential when you enter the Valley section. Keep your light supply up by collecting lamps, and use lifts by pressing either up or down. Limited energy powerups are scattered around — it's a good idea to find and use these...







Fire button depressed manoeuvre Rover around the screen. Fire button and direction moved in - dive. Fire button while moving but no direction pressed - jump. Obviously, the fire button does things like firing rockets as well, but we'll leave you to discover the rest yourself - it's more fun that way, you see. Happy hunting!

After collecting the assorted ammunition from the caverns, this section should be your next stop. It's a shooting range area, where getting the right trajectory while firing is essential - once you've got it right, let the griffins have a couple of shots in the kisser. Ha. There are six to kill in this subgame, but ammunition's limited you have been warned...

Bonus Screen Hey hey, it's a slide puzzle — of

sorts. Observe the picture as it should be before it's various pieces are switched around. When fire is pressed, the square underneath the pointer will be swapped with the blank one. Oh, there's a time limit

Jon Wells

nother superb helping of pokes, in COMMODORE

FORCE's amazing game-taming program. However, this month Easy Lives looks, sounds and is better. Cor! Aren't you the lucky ones! In fact, rather than reading this, why don't you load it up and see how wonderful it is for yourself?



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BUSTERS

Beau Jolly

his rave movie tie-in was released way back in 1985 to much critical acclaim. What else could we do but bring it to you for free? Self congratulation aside, here's how to play...

Once you've loaded Ghostbusters, you'll need to go through a series of screens selecting the equipment for your franchise. When you leave the title screen by pressing F1 or F3.

the first selection screen will appear. The computer will display a message — when it stops, you should enter your name (last name first) and press RETURN. The computer will then ask you if you have an account.

If you've been given a number after a previous game, enter the letter Y and press RETURN. At this point the computer will ask you what your account number is - enter that number. Next up is the vehicle selection screen — your cash in your account will be displayed in white numbers

If it's your first go (or you haven't got an account number), enter the letter N and press RETURN. At this point the computer gives you \$10,00 as a startup account, and you proceed to the vehicle selection screen.



You now are presented with the option of four different vehicles to use

during the game. To view any of the cars, press the space bar, and to purchase any of the cars simply press the number of the car you want, and press RETURN.



Alternative

ightfall. The deadly enchantment begins. Will you live to see the dawn? Fight a desperate battle to save your souls from the vampyre's bloodlust. Your enemy's power is subtle and mysterious, his strength never-ending. There is only one way to bring Nosferatu's reign to an end, and three parts to your struggle to overcome him. These are as follows:

GHOSTBUSTERS!



Dracula's Castle

You are Jonathan Harker, an innocent employee of the estate agent Renfield. Count Dracula wishes to buy a house in your home town, Wismar. You have been sent to his castle to complete the sale, only to discover the Count's true identity — he is a

Now you must act fast to protect yourself and the inhabitants of Wismar from his power. If Nosferatu moves into the house he could soon take control of the whole town and tur You room to find the Nosfer the cas until th Meany beasts

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Once you've equiped your team, a map of the city appears, with Zuul's terrible temple in the centre and GHQ at the bottom. Red flashing buildings indicate the presence of a Slimer.

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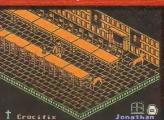
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Guide your vehicle to red flashing buildings, leaving as short a trail as possible. As you do this, freeze any Roamers that are moving to Zuul by touching them.

To position yourself at buildings directly above the street, push the button. To position vourself at buildings below the street, pull back joystick and push the button.



and turn the innocent inhabitants into vampyres! You left the deeds to the house on the dining room table, but they have disappeared. You must find them and escape as soon as you can Nosferatu is at his most dangerous at night when the castle doors are locked. You cannot escape until the light of day, when the Vampyre lies low. Meanwhile you may have to contend with vampyre beasts, plagued rats, and hallucinations created by Nosferatu for your confusion.



You can find weapons and objects to aid your survival, but fighting the evil beasts will sap your energy:

OST VACUUM

Sucks up itinerant ghouls (called 'Roamers') as you travel the streets of the city

These are what you use to catch and store Slimers. Each trap holds one Slimer. Without them, you can't earn money.



This attracts Roamers, which periodically gather to form the Marshmallow Man. Without bait, you can't stop him (see

important safety tips). You get five dollars of bait per purchase.

Stores ten Slimers in your vehicle. Saves travel time back to GHQ for more traps.





NERGY DETECTO

Warns of an approaching ghost, called a 'Slimer' by turning a building pink when you pass it.

Makes Slimers easier to see when you're trying to catch



MARSHMALLOW

Warns you of the impending approach of the dreaded Marshmallow Man

by turning a building white when you're by it.

The town of Wismar

Here you control Jonathan Harker, Lucky Harker, and Van Helsing (Lucy's brother-in-law and admirer). Press 1, 2 or 3 on the keyboard to change character

Nosferatu has been drawn to Wismar by Lucy's special power of attraction. Unknown to Jonathan, her husband, and Van Helsing, she's the only who can destroy him. You must keep her alive in order to

To ensure both Lucy's survival and the protection of the Wismar townfolk, the two men must destroy the growing number of plagued and kill or keep at bay those inhabitants who have already succumbed to the Vampyre's power. A population count is made during the game to measure your success.

Remember, if Nosferatu still holds the deeds to the house, he will have a safe base from which to operate his blood-hunting, and will be extremely powerful. If you managed to retrieve the deeds from his castle in the first part of the game, the Count will be forced to roam the streets and take shelter from the daylight where he can — in disused houses, cellars, and the like.

If he's trapped for long enough without taking victims, Nosferatu's bloodlust will grow stronger and his desire for Lucy more irresistible. You can then take the opportunity to lure him to Lucy's house and his ultimate destruction.

If Nosferatu doesn't have the deeds to the house, he may try to regain them by seeking out the estate agent, Renfield. Renfield, now sadly in a mental

Joystick in Port 2.

When you arrive at the disturbance, do as follows:

Direct the first Ghostbuster towards the centre of the building and press fire to drop the trap. Move to the far left of the screen, turn towards the trap and push fire again.

The second Ghostbuster appears. Direct him to the right of the screen, turn towards the trap, and press fire. This will activate their streamers.

Move your Ghostbusters inward to trap the Slimer between the streams. But don't cross the streams!

When you have the Slimer over the trap, push fire. The trap will pull him in. If you miss, you know what will happen...

Every trapped Slimer increases your credit rating

The game ends one of three ways:

- 1: The Gatekeeper and Keymaster join forces at the Temple of Zuul and you haven't earned more money than you originally started with.
- 2: The Gatekeeper and Keymaster join forces at Zuul, and you do have sufficient credit, but you're unable to sneak two Ghostbusters into the entrance.
- 3: You successfully reach the top of the Temple by sneaking two Ghostbusters into its entrance.

Joystick in Port Two. Keys definable in program.

asylum, could agree to Nosferatu's request. It is up to Jonathan and Van Helsing to keep Renfield protected by laying garlic around the asylum. They must not neglect their duty — Renfield's unstable condition could be their downfall, should the Vampyre reach him.

Garlic, of course, will keep the vampyres at bay, but to kill them you need stakes. A supply of stakes might not be readily available, so you must improvise. Remember, as an employee of the Estate Agent, Jonathan alone may have access to some useful items. Should you manage to move Lucy in safety towards her house, discover Nosferatu's whereabouts and lure him with you — the final part of the ordeal begins.

Lucy's House

As Lucy, you alone can destroy the Vampyre. Jonathan and Van Helsing are unaware of your destiny and, with your best interests at heart, will try to keep you away from Nosferatu. You must lock them away in your house before you can proceed. Bear in mind that, although united in their vampyre-hunting, the two men share a love for Lucy. Once they are out of your way, you can take Dracula to your room in the east side of the house, for the final hours of your nightmare. If you manage to keep Dracula with you until the light of dawn, his reign will come to an end.



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Platform games. Love 'em or hate 'em, it's a crowded genre where, to be noticed, a game needs to be something special. The C64, bless its little cottons, has seen many come and go. To be honest, we wouldn't be being overly unfair if we were to say the 'go' part hasn't always been such a bad thing — most of them are limited in terms of both design and content, offering little to any gamesplayer with any amount of skill or imagination. A demo of Mayhem in Monsterland arrived at the office this month, and we're utterly astonished. Sporting graphics superior to those most 16-bit games have to offer, Mayhem plays better than any other platform game we've seen before.

n Mayhem in Monsterland, each level has two different statuses — happy and sad. Initially, each level is sad and dull, dreary (but still atractive and well-defined) cosmetics emphasise this. In this first stage, Mayhem has to collect magic. This can be found once certain creatures of which there are many — have been killed. To do this, Mayhem, in true platform tradition, leaps on the nasties' heads. Most of these are fairly small and occasionally stationary, but at certain points there are bigger assailants who fire projectiles at the hero and are difficult to dispatch. Should Mayhem be hit or walk into a nasty, he flashes for a short peroid of time, signifying limited invunerability. However, another collision is bad news for our hero, because, should he be hit once more, a life is lost and he's re-positioned at the last restart point passed. These are spread throughout the levels, helping to keep play flowing and ease nigh-inevitable frustration — after all, who wants to lose at anything?

Most platforms are solid, but certain surfaces can be jumped or fallen though, using the fire button and required joystick direction. You see, unlike many of its contemparies,

Mayhem in
Monsterland is a
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Careful timing
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Ahh, so here it is.

Mayhem in Monsterland's
one of the four big releases

set to hit the C64 this autumn, and it could well be the best of the bunch. I haven't been so impressed by a platform game since I first saw Sonic the Hedgehog — granted, its a console game, but it's one of the few really good ones. However, unlike the Sega effort, Mayhem actually has a difficulty curve that is, indeed, a difficulty curve — it's a genuine challenge.

So, seventy words into a preview comment, and I've said little. I could bombard you with superlatives,

describing just how wonderful *Mayhem* is, but I think you'll have already gathered that by now, yes?

levels at top speed is a receipe for disaster. It's tempting, though: Mayhem's horizonatal scroll is one of the — if not the — fastest we've seen in a C64 game, and it's as smooth as you could hope for. In certain areas, paralax scrolling rears its head, but doesn't clutter the scenery in any way — all too often, a background

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and another land. The gameplay here is, like the level maps, pretty similar but sufficiently tweaked, differing enough to provide a new challenge. The changes aren't just graphical - each part of Mayhem has its own unique music, be it loud and oppressive or as cute as can be. Look out for a full review in next month's COMMODORE **FORCE**

 The many bright colours of Monsterland guaranteed to bring a cheery smile to the glummest of lips.

pattern is, in essence, the sacrifice of speed for the sake of pretty pictures. If you've seen the Amiga 1200 version of Zool, you'll know what we mean...

Once Mayhem's found the neccessary magic, travelling through the exit point leads to the next part of the section. The level map remains (pretty much) the same, but it's now happy — colour ooozes from every pixel. Our hero now has to collect stars before it's safe to progress to the next stage,



It's been a while coming, and awaited? Do caterpillars come in many shapes and sizes? The fellows responsible for the incredible Creatures games look to have created another masterpiece. A stunning front-end effect greets you, and from then on you're hooked. Having marvelled at the smoothness and speed of 'Sad' world, I was positively reeling at the amount of colour and detail bulging from the happy level I saw. The small but superbly crisp and detailed main sprite is a joy to behold, moving fluidly across beautifully drawn and shaded backdrops. In fact, I can't remember a prettier game on any 8-bit system. Even the happy colours of the excellent Trolls pale distinctly beside Mayhem in Monsterland's rainbow hues. There's even a few bits and bobs of paralax sprinkled about to further enhance visual

interest (as if it needed to be!).

The demo we have did seem a little on the tricky side, but it's such a pleasure to play a couple of untimely deaths don't seem to matter two hoots.

Put simply — if the full game doesn't arrive pretty darn quick I may very well explode!

 Spottyland it may be but unsightly blemishes are few and far between.



JAMESY: This month, we've got a special guest... DJ Chris!

SMILES: Taa Daaa!

DJ CHRIS: I haven't got any Um Bongo? JAMESY: [puzzled] Well, um, that's great Chris.

Tell us about your new occupation. SMILES: Occupation, ra ra raaa.

DJ CHRIS: Well, it's tough. Like meat when its been over-cooked. I tell you what, though, there's a great smell where I work.

JAMESY: Really? What does it smell like? SMILES: Poo, poo, it smells of poo.

JAMESY: [calls backstage] Look, could somebody punch this guy out? [to sound of Smiles being beaten up in the background] Carry on, Chris.

DJ CHRIS: Put quite simply, that means easy to understand, not difficult to comprehend, it's a great smell. Like small sailing boats when they suddenly land on the back of your neck.

SMILES: Burble... [sounds of bleeding]

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Of all the games released for the C64, there's a certain amount that are metaphorically head and shoulders above the rest. This is the **COMMODORE** FORCE team's top 100 games ever, in order...

RAMBO — FIRST **BLOOD PART 2** The Hit Squad

John Rambo's first appearance on the C64 is a shoot-'em-up with an unusual from-above-andbehind perspective. At first, its difficulty level seems overly tough; with only one life and a small energy bar, Rambo's quest is initially challenging. After a bit of practice it's easy to complete, but we can guarantee you'll want to do it again.

Noteworthy for its excellent sound and presentation, Rambo's a game that's tricky to track down these days - but if you can, do so.



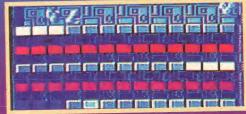
Where sports games relying on joystick-waggling are concerned, Hypersports rules the roost hands down. With a mere six events to participate in, you'd be mistaken for thinking it lacks lastability. However, the challenge presented by various world record times — and beating them — makes for interesting play. Sure, it's tiring after a while — that waggling really takes it out of you -- but despite the limited nature of its genre, Hypersports is pure gold medal material.



ARKANOID The Hit Squad

A conversion of the ancient coinop (which in turn owed its design to another, older game), this is one of the most curiously addictive pieces of software we've seen. The concept is simple; controlling a bat of sorts, a ball bouncing around the single-screen play area has to be deflected to destroy various bricks in a static wall. Should the ball leave the bottom of the screen (ie if you miss it), a life is lost — the ball also increases in

lasers to skip level icons. Arkanoid's simplistic it's one to come back to time and time again.





BLASTEROIDS

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speed the longer it's in motion. In true coin-op tradition, there's power ups aplenty — from gameplay is almost insulting, but so compulsive



Like Arkanoid, Blasteroids is a conversion of an arcade machine that's essentially an upgrade — in this case, the subject matter being the nearprehistoric Asteroids. Thankfully, the producers did more than simply add 'BI' to the title; power-ups and a two-player are incorporated to great effect. Possibly the most innovative aspect of play is that two participants can fly around individually or, if desired, join to form a more powerful craft. This can be flown by one player, while the other operates a top-mounted gun turret.



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Touchdown

Pipemania may not be a state-ofthe-art piece of programming, but its playability is undeniable. Using random pipe sections, the basic objective is to provide a path for an ever-flowing stream of water. The action is contained to a single screen, with each level demanding greater lengths of tubes

Pipemania was perhaps a tad overpriced on its original release; however, its more recent £3.99 budget incarnation is worth every penny



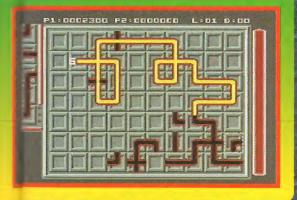
RAMPARTS Domark

Ramparts rears its head at the tail end of our top 100 for one reason its multi-player mode. Blowing the living daylights out of a friend's castle is particularly enjoyable; the refreshing blend of strategy and arcade action a change from the usual fare.

Graphically sound, Ramparts' downfall is its one-player mode — it's infuriating, fiddly and lacks 'edge'. If you've the friends (and the cash), its certainly more than a worthwhile purchase.

BOUNDER• Gremlin

Guiding a tennis ball across verticallyscrolling rooftops may not sound like big-league material, but *Bounder* offers this, and more. Not a great deal more, it has to be said, but it's undoubtedly the leader of it's field — even if it's one of a kind...



SABOTEUR 2• Reel Action

Despite its largely monochrome screens and shoddy appearance, Saboteur 2 is a highly-enjoyable arcade adventure. The inclusion of beat-'em-up overtones and an impressive amount of screens to explore (over 200) certainly makes it an admirable challenge; after its appearance on Reel Action, the office was inundated with maps of it from would-be cartographers.



DALEK ATTACK • Admiral

The time lord's best-ever appearance on the C64 is also far superior than its Amiga counterpart. It looks good, plays well and even retails at a sensible (not to mention affordable) mid-price £7.99. The only real criticism we could level at it is its insipid shoot-'emup first level. Other sections are infinitely more pleasing platform exploration levels, with the added bonus of simultaneous two-player action.





BOMBUZAL

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This unusual bomb-defusing puzzle game isn't much to look at or listen to, but its simplistic nature is instantly (and thereafter consistently) appealing. Trying to explode the explosives littered on the playing field without setting off lethal chain reactions is a delight; *Bombuzal's* password system also adds a considerable amount of lastability.

RODLAND

This conversion of the popular Bubble Bobble-inspired coin-op is — like Ramparts — noteworthy for its excellent two-player option. However, unlike the aforementioned game, its one-player mode is almost (but not quite) as good. Controlling one of two long-haired fairles (not the best choice of words, eh?), screen after screen of nasties have to be dispatched, using the 'rod' of the title to smash them to oblivion. Most beaten assailants leave a power-up behind; using these speeds up Tam and Rit's (the heroines) task. On budget, Rodland's a real bargain. Get it.



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incarnation of *Silkworm* doesn't 'feel' right; the game just doesn't glue as a whole. Bearing that in mind, its curious that *Silkworm* on the C64 is a shoot-'em-up of the highest calibre. A two-player option adds spice, and even the lack of impressive R-Type-ish power-ups or stunning backdrops doesn't leave the gameplay bland. Those wishing to obtain it can order ZZAP! Issue 90 from Forcefield Plaza's back-issue service — you won't be disappointed.

We've always felt the arcade

IKARI WARRIORS

Encore

This ageing coin-op conversion has

— no prizes — a two-player option,
and rather good it is too. A verticallyscrolling shoot-'em-up, *Ikari Warriors* allows you
(and a companion) to blaze through various
terrains, blasting enemy soldiers and vehicles.
Tanks can be boarded if found, and these give
much-needed additional firepower and protection
— for as long as their limited supply of fuel will

MANIC MINERMastertronic

You could call it the great-granddaddy of the platform genre, and that wouldn't be too far from the truth.

Mathew Smith's eccentric classic is the first appearance of the legendary Miner Willy. As platform games go, it's crude-looking, badly presented and frustrating. Yet, it's so addictive! Perhaps it's just nostalgia, but Manic Miner has that indefinable 'something' that so many recent (and even not so recent) games seem to lack.

ROBIN OF THE WOOD

Odin

Odin excelled themselves during the mid-eighties, producing software comparable in quality to the classic Ultimate games. Robin of the Wood could almost have been written by the aforementioned software geniuses; essentially, it's a mixture of Sabre Wulf and Atic Atac but updated and improved sufficiently to justify itself as a true progression.





CONTINENTAL CIRCUS

Reel Action

Reel Action One's storming racer is a conversion of the excellent — and loud - coin-op. An into-the-screen racing game viewed from behind your car, *Circus* sets tight time limits for progression to subsequent tracks. However, winning isn't just a matter of

beating the clock — unless you finish in a specified race position or better, it's game over.

Equally different is its well thought-out damage system. Crash (or be crashed into) once, and your car begins to flame. Damage it again and it explodes, wasting valuable time. Should it be burning after one hit, you've got a limited amount of time to get to the pits, before it turns into a ball of flames — again, this wastes time. Circus isn't the best of its genre, but it's one of them.

TROLLS Flair

Okay, so its subject matter isn't the best you'll find, but the programmers of Trolls — in true console-times fashion — took an obscure licence and turned it into a platform game. It's a jolly effort that isn't earth-shattering in any way shape or form, but its playability and charm are undeniable.





BARBARIAN

Kixx

Predecessor — not surprisingly — to Barbarian 2, Barbarian is a oneon-one beat-'em-up with a

difference — the combatants fight with swords. From the Spinning Neck Chop (watch that head fly... ugh!) to the more traditional head-butt, its range of moves are both different, well-animated

and amusing. As you'd expect, things liven up when fighting against a human opponent, but the computer manages to be a more than adequate challenge on its own. Barbarian's real flaw is its slightly pedestrian pace — compared to, say, IK+, it's a little on the slow side

ARMALYTE

Despite being one of the most accomplished shoot-'em-ups to hit the '64, Armalyte falls down in one vital area — its difficulty level. Sure, a challenge is always welcome. In fact, we prefer arcade games to provoke a response, even if it is to throw the

C64 across the room.
But this? Strangely, it doesn't kill the playability as you'd expect it would. Every time the Game Over message appears, the compulsion to have 'just

one more try' is irresistible - so perhaps the difficulty level is pitched right, after all



Reel Action

Despite Park Patrol's age and simplicity, it's undeniably addictive. It doesn't look too hot; the sound burbles away in a functional (if uninspiring) manner. But at the end of the day, when you put things into perspective, it's the playability that counts. Park Patrol has

Platform games come and go, but few can offer a lasting challenge. The Addams Family could be excellent, but it's too difficult, if anything. That's where the programmer of Nobby the Aardvark got things right — its a swine of a game. Frustration reaches epic levels at times, but its sheer class and well thought-out learning curve draw you back time after time. It's also a particularly attractive piece of software; the colourful, well-defined sprites and backdrops please the eye without cluttering the

RICK DANGEROUS 2

The early laser disc games of the mid-eighties — such as *Dragon's*Lair and Cliff Hanger — required
the player to memorise the position of traps. This way, in subsequent games, they'd get just that little bit further — and the temptation to try again, knowing what that final, fatal point had in store for them would be irresistible. Rick Dangerous 2 doesn't utilise the aforementioned games' cartoon format, but its 2D platform action is very much a learning process. It's frustrating, needlessly picky about deaths and the last



COLOUR Piranha

The Colour of Magic is the only adventure to be included in our top 100. Text-based games tend to be

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Microsphere

A game that's a school simulation — of sorts — may not sound like hot stuff. However, Microsphere's classic miniature computerised school and its inhabitants are a delight to behold. Taking the hero — Eric — in hand, there are many puzzles to solve, lessons to attend (or skive) and characters or situations to interact with. Its cross-section perspective and horizontally-scrolling map both combine to make Skooldaze an attractive (if unastounding) looking game — the sound's awful, though. Above all, it's original — how many recent software releases can have that said of them?



restart point is often too far away to be fair. But Rick's so well constructed that, although needless damage is inflicted upon your surrounding furniture at times, you'll always be back for more.

CYBERNOID 2 Hewson

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The original *Cybernoid* was perhaps better received on the Spectrum, where it's sheer rainbows of colour and slick presentation made it something above the norm. The C64, being able to provide these extras with ease, was where *Cybernoid* had to rely on its playability alone. Thankfully, it didn't disappoint. When its sequel arrived everyone noted that, in essence, it was merely more of the (admittedly excellent) same. That's why *Cybernoid 2*—being the better of the two—is ranked, whereas its predecessor isn't.

viewed as much of a muchness by non-fans; I mean, endless prose doesn't sound as if it'd make a great afternoons entertainment, right?

Wrong. The Colour of Magic is adapted from the superb Terry Pratchett book of the same name.

A good adventure should essentially be an interactive story that entertains. This effort by the now-defunct software house Piranha is a perfect example of how to produce one.

BRUCE LEE Americana

Bruce Lee was, in its time, one of the first C64 platform games to include a two-player mode. The real difference with this simultaneous action is that one player takes control of the eponymous hero, the other one of his two main assailants.

of his two main assailants.

The one thing not in *Bruce Lee*'s favour is its size ZZAP's high score pages were inundated with claims from people who'd allegedly completed it over five times in a row. However, this is an unusual aspect of the game; that if you do





complete it, repeating the performance isn't as tedious as you'd expect.

INDY HEAT

Storm

Single screen racing games (such as the ageing Super Sprint) tend to, as a rule, suffer from dodgy collision detection, bland graphics and poor lastability. Indy Heat doesn't suffer from any of these faults and, not surprisingly, is the leader of its field (or should that be track?). Viewed from a top-down perspective, Heat lacks the difficulty level to keep it consistently compulsive, but with a few human players participating it's a far improved outing.

PSYCHO PIGS UXB O US Gold

Like Rodland, Psycho Pigs UXB is just above-average with a single player, but in its two-player mode, it's brilliant. As a — no surprises — pig, there are screens after screens of bombs and other pigs. These are your opponents; guess what you do with the bombs? Power-ups appear as the levels progress; these enhance the capabilities of your porker, until he becomes the bacon-fodder equivalent of a superhero. Psycho Pigs UXB is also legendary for its rather risque advertising —

long-time C64 magazine buyers will know what we're talking about...



GREEN BERET

This horizontally-scrolling arcade game, like Ghosts and Goblins, is about as close to its coin-op parent as a C64 owner could hope for. Graphically excellent, Green Beret's strongest point is its relentless platform action. Armed with a particularly inadequate knife, there are four levels of enemy foot-soldiers, parachutists, gun-toting marksmen and the obligatory end-of-level confrontations. Limited supplies of power-ups — weapons such as flamethrowers or rocket launchers — can be collected at certain points; these are important, if not essential for preserving the hero's limited supply of lives.

GHOSTS AND GOBLINS

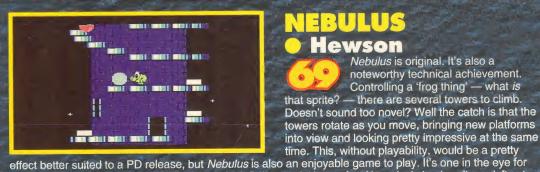
Encore

Ghosts and Goblins is one of the few coin-op conversions that could be described as virtually arcade-perfect. It's a platform shoot-'em-up with hardly original gameplay, but what's there is of the highest standard. Astoundingly, this piece of software magic hit the shelves way back in 1986; it'd still impress these days, if it were to be re-released.

SHINOBI Mastertronic

Arrggh... it's another coin-op conversion! Shinobi wasn't that impressive in the arcades; it didn't look too hot, and resembled the ancient Rolling Thunder in more ways than one. Change the graphics and ... well, you probably wouldn't find much in the way of differences.

The C64 version, however, retains the playability, and the graphics don't really mean a thing. They're functional, and don't hinder the gameplay — not such a bad thing, really. In fact, many will find this a curious addition to our top 100, but *Shinobi*'s one of the few games of its genre that plays consistently well. That, above all, is what good games are about, right?



NEBULUS Hewson

Nebulus is original. It's also a noteworthy technical achievement. Controlling a 'frog thing' — what is that sprite? — there are several towers to climb. Doesn't sound too novel? Well the catch is that the towers rotate as you move, bringing new platforms

Spectrum owners as well — their version couldn't fit the special bonus level in a single load, so it was left out...

junkie, it's worth a look, just to see - but if LORDS OF CHAOS **Blade Software** essential purchase

Squad — went for a traditional wizards and warriors scenario with his last C64 game, Lords of Chaos. Up to four players can participate in its various scenarios; failing that, more-than-adequate computer opponents are there to challenge. What makes Lords of Chaos so playable is its well thoughtout user interface and clear, well-defined play area. It plays like a D&D-style Laser Squad, and although it's brilliant in many respects, it can't match the sheer excellence of its aforementioned predecessor. For the arcade

Julian Gollop — author of Laser

you're a fan of strategy games, this is an



After considerable pre-release hype and rave previews. Myth surprised many by being pretty much as epic as it'd promised to be. A mixture of arcade adventuring, platform action and perhaps a trace of beat-'em-up gameplay, it combines its considerable graphical competence with thoughtprovoking and fast-moving gameplay.

Alas, all those impressive sprites and natty

presentation do mean there's a multiload, and Myth's cassette incarnation suffers accordingly. Its disk version, however, compares favourably with the Amiga version for consistent, flowing play.

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Maxis' city management game created a stir when released for 16-bit computers. Despite its crude appearance and awful sound, the scope it offered was tremendous — you could create buildings, roads, stadiums and other things while trying to accrue money through taxes from your easilyoffended population. City's non-linier gameplay. almost certainly inspired the many 'god' games that can be found for the Amiga and its rivals The C64 release of Sim City is, not surprisingly, a



cut-down version. Games of this genre don't work with multiloads, so certain features had to be left out. However, what's left is still absorbing; the making or breaking of your creations totally up to you, the save game option giving extra lastability to this already excellent concept

BUDOKAN **Electronic Arts**

The majority of beat-'em-ups are frenetic, fast-moving and require instinctive play. Budokan is different in that it adopts a far more simulation-based approach to the theme, with genuine strategy and thought being the only methods of reaching success in the long term. The thorn in its side is its multiload — painful on disk, its cassette version is virtually unplayable.

AUNTLET

Despite its bugs and workman-like appearance, Gauntlet still packs a punch — even more so in two-player mode. Viewed from above, the action's spread across literally hundreds of different levels. Monsters attack you in your quest to find the exit point; fortunately, a generous allocation of energy and power-ups to collect almost guarantee longlasting play. To top it all off, *Gauntlet's* multiload doesn't really restrict play in the slightest; levels are loaded in bulk, and quickly at that.

ike a vertically-scrolling Silkworm, SWIV allows a player and a companion to blast through an enemy-packed landscape, in a helicopter and jeep respectively. Hailed as one of the best shoot-'em-ups ever, this is one game noteworthy for the challenge it presents — it's tough!



GO. Capcom

Despite lacking its coin-op parent's two-player option, *Bionic Commando* still plays very well. The twist that elevates Bionic Commando above the usual platform fare is that the main character has a bionic arm. This can be used to swing from platform to platform, as well as knocking troublesome assailants off their feet. What really makes Commando special is its superlative Tim Follin soundtrack. Adding atmosphere to the proceedings, it shows how accomplished musical backing can improve a game no end.



Electric Dreams

Games that utilise a first-person perspective aren't exactly thick on the ground for the '64 — the amount of memory needed to make the graphics convincing is often beyond our fave 8-bit's lessthan-generous allocation. Aliens uses this display method, and to great effect. Whereas your average movie tie-in lacks its subject matter's atmosphere, this is as tense (at times) and as action-packed as the genre gets. If there's anything that could be criticised about Aliens, it's that it's far too easy to end up walking



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BATMAN: THE MOVIE The Hit Squad

Batman: The Movie follows the traditional approach to movie tie-ins by incorporating a collection of gamestyles, bolted together with a multiload and justified by being loosely connected to sections of the film's plot. However, as its genre goes, it's one of the best — the platform sections are pure class. However, there's a price to pay for each section's graphical and gameplay content — yes, a multiload. Again, disk owners need fear not, but on cassette, the stop/start nature of the gameplay due to tape access does little to aid the caped crusaders cause.

Another reason to get a disk drive?



FLIMBO'S QUEST Kixx

Get this... yet another platform game. However, if all games of this type were as polished as Flimbo's Quest, the world would be a better place. Gorgeous parallax, sprites and backgrounds oozing with colour... hey, there's even an admirable dose of gameplay to match! Flimbo's, at the end of the day, is infuriating at times, but there's always the compulsion to have 'just one more go' — and isn't that the kind of reaction good software should inspire?

round in circles — but if you're patient and make a map...



DIZZY: PRINCE OF THE YOLKFOLK

Codemasters

Despite being the smallest of the eggs adventures (roughly 20-odd puzzles and 30-or-so screens in size),

Yolkfolk's easily the most well thought-out. Each object has an obvious use, with none of the situations being as obscure as his other adventures — there's a challenge, but none of the 'try it and hope' business that's proved to be the downfall of many arcade adventures. To top off the (budget, may we add) excellence, Yolkfolk's

complemented by a well-written soundtrack — if you turn in down before the first hour of play has elapsed, you're a cold fish indeed.





INTERNATIONAL 3D TENNIS • GBH Gold

International 3D Tennis is another simulation, but with a difference—rather than adopting the traditional sprite-based approach to games of this type, the programmers used wireframe 3D. This is—supposedly—not the C64's strong suit, due to its lack of processor speed. Tennis proves that, with clever programming techniques, the supposedly impossible (or potentially ridiculous) can become a reality. Its selection of views add a new dimension to the game; a plethora of moves and tactics—even styles of play—can be enacted, created... game set and match.



NICK FALDO'S GOLF

Grandslam

Golf sims became fashionable towards the end of the eighties, with the famous Leaderboard series showing just how the '64 could produce a playable simulation of the sport. Arriving years after the aforementioned game, Nick Faldo's positively blows it off the fairway, through the bunker and into somebody's pint of beer back at the clubhouse — it's that much of an improvement.

OUTRUN EUROPA Kixx

After the success of the first two *Outrun* conversions, a third was created as an original game. It's also by far the best of the trilogy; from its superb Jereon Tel soundtrack to its fast moving gameplay, it's an example to all programmers on just how fast the '64 can move if treated correctly.

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A healthy allocation of continues helps play to flow, but a multiload haunts the cassette version... yet again. Still, there's so much game to play, that it's almost something you can ignore.

MICROPROSE SOCCER • Kixx

Predecessor to the 16-bits' mighty Sensible Soccer, Microprose Soccer was by far the best C64 soccer game available until the recent arrival of Grandslam's Liverpool. Now in second place, it's still an excellent footy game; its banana shots and varying weather conditions inspiration for many soccer sims that followed its original release. Like most games supporting the option, it's more enjoyable when played against a human opponent, but the computer's no push-over.

MANIC MANSION Activision

This disk-only graphic adventure uses an unusual point-'n'-click user interface. Games of this kind are rarely found on the C64; they tend to work better on the 16-bits where their larger amounts of memory can cope

with the amount of graphical data needed. *Manic Mansion* proves that a C64 can to a certain extent cope with them, but only with a disk drive attached. Bearing in mind it was estimated that roughly a mere fifteen percent of C64 owners have a disk drive, it's no wonder this genre hasn't been exploited more frequently — a profit's got to be made on the games, after all...

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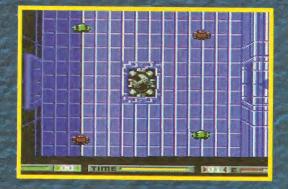
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This futuristic variation on the Rugby/American Football theme is a firm favourite of many - including us. How many times while playing a sports sim have you had the urge to simply knock your opponents to the ground? Behaviour such as this is positively encouraged in Speedball. Its compact pitch size (a far cry from the Amiga version's acres) helps play flow; the top-down view and fast-scrolling pitch keep the action quick and clear.





ARK SIDE Incentive

This, the second of Incentive's revolutionary Freescape games is — in our opinion - by far the best. Its solid 3D graphics aren't quite as fast as the games that followed it, but the puzzles and landscapes are far superior. Few games can profess to offer a virtual world; Dark Side pretty much does that (albeit

The Hit Squad

This conversion of the popular coin-op isn't as flaw-free as you could hope for
it's a little on the buggy side, and shoddy in appearance — but the playability that made the original so compulsive is just as much a part of the C64 version as it is any other. Viewed from above, you take the role of Officer Bob in his never-ending quest to stamp out crime. Driving around the city, there's a quota of criminals to catch in a day; should time run out before these are captured, Bob is given Demerits. Too many of these, and he's fired — game over.



TURRICAN

The first of the two legendary Turrican garnes, this first outing has some of the most stunning graphics you'll ever see on an 8-bit. It also sounds and plays particularly well; rarely are the platform and shootem-up genres combined to such great effect.
Scrolling in eight directions (and quickly at that)
Turrican shows just what a C64 is really capable of up-and-coming programmers take note...

PROJECT STEALTH **FIGHTER** Kixx

Previously released by Microprose, this is the cream of flight simulations. Tremendous attention to detail and admirable presentation combine to make Stealth Fighter a game to remember. Only its cassette version could be criticised — for its (admittedly unavoidable) multiload



KIKSTART 2 Mastertronic

Budget games, eh? The sad truth of the matter is that the majority of them don't make the grade cheap is cheap, but drivel is still drivel, no matter what the price.

Every now and then, though, a game arrives for a token cost that can truly be described as a classic — Kikstart 2 is one such game. Played over several tracks, it's a horizontallyscrolling biking affair with ramps and obstacles to jump and negotiate in their hundreds. Even better is its split-screen twoplayer option - one of the best we've ever seen. To top it all, there's a (sadly discontinued) upgraded C128 version with over three times the amount of tracks.



DAN DARE Reel Action

This superb arcade adventure was Mr Dare's first (and best) C64 appearance. It's a model example of how the genre — not as popular as it used to be — is one of the best, incorporating the better elements of other gamestyles to boot. Dan Dare appeared on last issue's Reel Action, so if you missed it — where were you? — order a back issue from Forcefield Plaza as soon as you can.

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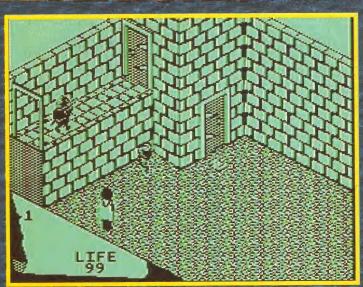
Created by Mathew Smith — he of Manic Miner and Jet Set Willy fame - Star Paws is the game that US Gold's conversion of the Road Runner cartoons should have been. Using all manner of high-tech equipment to catch birds on a moon surface may

sound surreal, but it makes for top-class enter-tainment. The addition of sub-games only makes Paws better — it's a fun-packed outing that even manages to be genuinely amusing at times.

RESISTANCE

level at an otherwise excellent game

The Hit Savad This superb conversion of Data East's tricky coin-op is both polished and graphically outstanding. With several levels to get through, impressive power-ups aplenty and many an assailant to shoot them with. Midnight Resistance has the kind of playability that grabs you and won't let go. It's over-picky with its collision detection at times, but that's a small grumble to



The sequel to Shadowfire, Enigma

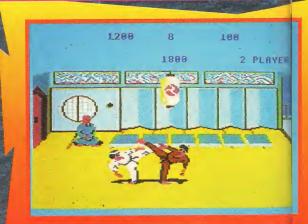
Force didn't have the impact of its

predecessor, but it's still a more-

FAIRLIGHT

games on the C64 almost always lack one essential ingredient — speed. Fairlight is no exception to this rule, but its puzzles and gameplay are of such a high standard, it's easy to ignore this often-fatal flaw.

Graphically, Fairlight's brilliant.
The sheer detail put into its rooms and furniture is admirable - okay, so it's not that colourful, but splashing veritable rainbows everywhere doesn't necessarily make a game look good — Rainbow Islands being an obvious exception, of course...



CHALLENGE

games ever, Lotus is at its best with two human competitors, where its split-screen racing can be enjoyed to the full. In terms of playability, it compares well with its nearlegendary Amiga counterpart - and it shifts a bit, too. It's by no means shoddy with a single player
— with three difficulty levels, a plethora of tracks
and world records to beat, *Lotus* is simply World



One of the most playable racing

Championship material.



game as an arcade adventure. In essence, collection. The thing that makes Enigma Force stand out from the crowd is that it can be played buying Enigma Force is like buying two games for the price of one — both of them being of a as an icon-driven adventure or an arcade game. The top half of the screen display is a real-time very high standard.



NIGMA FORCE

than-worthy addition to anyone's software

Beyond

SUPREMACY Virgin

monitor, where your characters (and the

game's other figures) move around and -

more often than not — participate in gun

battles. The bottom section is made up of

various icons. However, clicking on a particular

option gives 'hands on' control of one of your

four team members, allowing you to play the

Probe's God/strategy game combines terrific visuals, haunting Jereon Tel music and mind-bending amounts of options. Conquering the galaxy is as difficult as it sounds in Supremacy - imagine trying to manage thirty-odd planets, regulating their armies, food supplies, mining... you get our drift? Its difficulty curve is pitched well, so the easily confused are eased into the action, while different levels provide lastability.

CREATURES Kixx

Nintendo have Mario, Sega have Sonic the Hedgehog and the C64 has... Fuzzies! Clyde Radcliffe became a star overnight subsequent to his starring role in *Creatures*. Platform games usually manage to be playable without being astounding, but

rescue a captured Fuzzy from a bloody death at the hands of a nasty demon. In fact, these sub-sections proved to be so popular that this game's sequel — Creatures 2, surprisingly enough — is based around them.

Oh, the normal platform sections are pretty hot too...

Creatures took the genre one step further with the concept of 'torture screens'. In

these, Clyde has a limited amount of time to

Hit Savad System 3's eponymous Ninja

received much critical acclaim for his three games; all utilising an isometric viewpoint, they mix arcade adventuring with a trace of beat-'em-up action. Of these, we feel The Last Ninja 2 offers the most, with the best puzzles, graphics and playability. It's needlessly difficult at times, but at least it offers a lasting challenge...

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BOBBLE The Hit Squad

The first in the Rainbow Islands trilogy (the third, Parasol Stars, never made it onto the C64) sees Bub 'n' Bob (for they are the heroes) as bubblebelching dragons, clearing screen after screen of horrible nasties. Its two-player option is as much of a bonus as all such options are, and it's cheerful and cute to extremes.

NTY ON THE

Gremlin

Ahh, the stars of yesteryear. Monty Mole was an unlikely hero; his first adventure,

Wanted: Monty Mole told a tale of a poor mole who, in his efforts to keep warm, pinched a bucket of coal. Monty on the Run continues his story while he's on the the run from the police. Plot aside, *Monty on the Run* is a platform extravaganza of the finest quality. It move, plays and sounds well — at the end of the day, what more could you ask for?

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WAY OF THE EXPLODING FIST • Melbourne House

Fist was, in plain terms, the first truly decent beat-'em-up to be released for the C64. Admittedly, it's been surpassed by a few games since — IK+ being the main example — but it's still one of the most playable offerings (especially in two-player mode) this side of there. The action is strictly one-one one, with roughly fourteen moves available to each player. Sadly, as it was released aeons ago back in 1985, you're unlikely to find it — but if you do, don't hesitate to purchase...



GHOULS 'N' GHOSTS

Kixx

Software Creations' conversion of this Ghosts and Goblins sequel is the exception to the rule that follow-ups rarely match their predecessor's achievements. Both absorbing and well presented, Ghouls 'N' Ghosts doesn't differ much from Goblins, but plays — amazingly — considerably better. There's also a fantastic Tim Follin sound-

track - it's this musical accompaniment that real-

GUNSHIP (DISK VERSION) • Kivy XL

ly lifts the action off the ground.

On cassette, *Gunship* is a tired and limited simulation — describing it as a cut-down version would be an understatement. On disk, however, it's one of the best simulations ever, with many missions, options and brilliant presentation. It would have made an even better cartridge game, but hey — you can't have everything, can you?





SLEEPWALKER

Ocean

Ocean's last C64 release is undoubtedly one of their finest. Having all played the Amiga version, we couldn't see how Ralf and Lee's nocturnal antics could be accurately converted to the C64. How we eat our words! Sleepwalker is a technical achievement and a darn fine game to boot. Guiding your sleepwalking master through different

terrains is a joy; perhaps the game would have benefited from a password system, but we suppose it all adds to the lasting challenge.

THE GREAT ESCAPE

The Hit Squad

Originally created by the Denton Designs programming team, this Spectrum classic was merely ported across to the C64. Whereas this can usually signal the death of a game, The Great Escape is such a strong concept in so many respects, that it's just as playable as it ever was. If the prisoner-of-war theme appeals to you, you'll not find a game to match Escape's excellence in this field.



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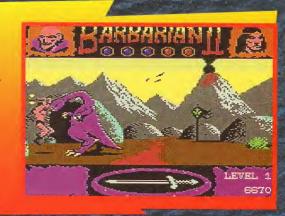
LIVERPOOL O Grandslam

Football games come and go, but there's none so hot as *Liverpool*. Grandslam's recent addition to the world of C64 soccer was last issue's Rave Review, and rightly so. It's fast, well constructed and its two-player mode is arguably the best ever in an arcade game. Offering far more moves and tactics than any other 8-bit soccer game, *Liverpool* wins the C64 Premier League hands down.

BARBARIAN 2 • Reel Action

The original *Barbarian* was a one-on-one combat affair, not dissimilar to *Way of the Exploding Fist*. Its sequel takes the combat of its predecessor and combines it with an exceedingly good-looking (and playable) arcade adventure, spread across four different levels.

Oh, just in case you missed it, *Barbarian 2* was on last month's Reel Action — if for some strange reason you missed that issue, get a back issue from the Forcefield Plaza.



TRACKSUIT MANAGER Hi-Tech

Despite the huge amounts of football management games released for the C64, only *Tracksuit Manager*, being the best the genre's offered so far, is good enough to get into our Top 100. Rather than dealing with management at a club level, it places the would-be boss as the manager of any international club you care to mention. Should you choose England, there's literally hundreds of players with differing abilities to choose from.

Tracksuit Manager's a comprehensive and wellpresented effort that puts its rivals to shame.

SLICKS Code Masters

Slicks is, without a doubt, the most playable top-down racing game we've played — it even puts the legendary Micro Machines to shame. The challenge it presents — especially as a budget game — is admirable. There's even a two-player mode, where a couple of human opponents participate in a duel, with the first to be scrolled off-screen the loser. A software collection without Slicks is like a tunu fish sandwich without enough onion and mayo — so get it.

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THE SENTINAL • Firebird

Hailed by many as 'the most innovative game ever', *The Sentinal* is a curious mixture of board gamestyle gameplay and Freescape-type graphics. These aren't too speedy, but moving around the hundreds of landscapes, avoiding the deadly gaze of the eponymous Sentinal is tricky and compulsive. A handy password system also helps matters; without this, *The Sentinal* would soon become tiresome.



NAVY SEALS

Ocean

Here's proof that a flim licence isn't always the promising money-maker that it could be. The film that Navy. Seals is based upon did terribly at the box office—it was in and out of Britain in a blink of an eye, and suffered similarly in America. Even a cast including the teenage girls' favourite, Charlie Sheen, couldn't get the film off the ground. Without the weight of the movie to back it up, Navy Seals relies on its strength as a game alone—and what a game it is! Easily one of the most polished and well-produced games ever, Seals proves that even movie tie-ins can excel...



THE UNTOUCHABLES The Hit Savad

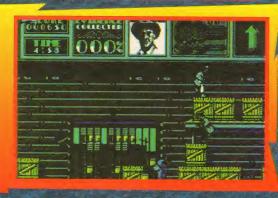
...which is exactly what this film conversion does. A mixture of platform and *Op Wolf*-style sub-levels guarantees varied play, but the spit and polish of *The Untouchables*' several levels is of a kind not usually found on an 8-bit. Sure, it's got an annoying multiload, but with patience (or preferably a disk drive) it's simply superb.



CREATURES 2

We've already mentioned Creatures and how its torture screens were widely-regarded as its best aspect. In Creatures 2, these violent levels are not so much sub-sections, more a way of life.

In essence, *Creatures 2* is the best-looking and best-presented C64 game ever. It even sounds astounding; every screen has its own soundtrack, and the front end of the game is an achievement in itself. There's two flaws though — its difficulty level and its multiload. The latter is particularly excessive in its length and is directly related to the former — loose all your lives on one of *Creatures 2s* tricky levels, and it's back to the tape



BUGGY BOY

Encore

Racing games viewed from behind don't tend to fare well on the G64. There's a fair few of them, but only a token handful really make the grade (or the finish line, for that matter).

Buggy Boy, though, is a real challenge and attractive with it. Its mere four courses could become a little samey after a while, but when that happens, Satan will drive to work in a snowplow...



accessing, folks. Strangely, it plays better with its cheat mode engaged — don't expect to breeze through, though, as it's still difficult.

TETRIS Mastertronic

One of the most simplistic yet infuriatingly addictive concepts ever, Tetris has been released on numerous formats — from the Gameboy to the SNES (at £60, may we add) and, of course, the C64. If you haven't heard of Tetris, you've obviously not been a computer owner for very long. Let's just say it involves manipulating different shapes into certain positions. Sounds tedious? You haven't lived.



STUNT CAR RACER

Racing games usually lack imagination. Yeah, they may be pretty accurate, and they may be fun, but has any real imagination been incorporated into the genre? Basically: yes. In Stunt Car Racer. If anyone tells you vector graphics aren't the C64's strong suit, show them Racer. It's highly-dangerous rollercoaster tracks are the setting for the race of a lifetime, between a player and a computer opponent. Falling off the sides results in a hefty crash — too many of these, and your car is scrapped.

SALAMANDER The Hit Squad

King of the horizontally-scrolling shoot-'em-ups, Salamander has it all. Graphics, sound, playability — it's hard to imagine a better blaster. As a conversion (which it is, by the way) it's also excellent — if only they all could be like this...

Power-ups in Salamander operate in a similar

Power-ups in Salamander operate in a similar manner to its arcade predecessor, Nemesis. Like that aforementioned classic, there's a phenomenal amount of add-ons — isn't that what shoot-'em-ups are about?

EXILE

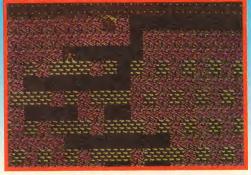
Including inertia, artificial intelligence and other such extras into an arcade adventure doesn't sound possible when you consider the C64 only has, as its name suggests, roughly 64k to play with. Audiogenic managed it with Exile; an altogether classic

example of the genre.
Puzzles and problems are one of Exile's strong points — unlike many other games of its type, these are logical — but not so much as to be solved with ease. It's also graphically competent and play flows exceedingly well.

Hey, we like it!

BOULDERDASH **First Star**

This original of the many diamondsnatching outings is, we feel, the best. Starring Rockford - hero of ZZAP!'s borders too, remember — Boulder Dash contains countless levels with an equally large number of diamonds to collect and hazards to avoid. Its mixture of both arcade and puzzle action is of breed rarely seen in these supposedly sophisticated days - but it's still as playable as it ever was.





WIZBALL Ocean

Sensible Software's highly-original shoot-'em-up is easily one of the most highly-acclaimed C64 games ever. Trying to describe it in the short space available just wouldn't do it justice, so we won't bother — suffice to say, it's nail-bitingly addictive One point worth mentioning is its unique powerup system. Most games require you to make a frantic stab at the keyboard to select a special weapon. Not so in Wizball - a quick waggle of the joystick in opposite directions activates the required extra, disposing of the need for awkward

THE BARDS TALE Ariolasoft

The Bards Tale is, without a doubt, the best RPG the C64 has ever known. With its first-person perspective, guiding your party of adventurers through streets, dungeons and other such areas is quick and easy — but it's the size and depth of *Tale* that makes it so special. Your team increase their strength and abilities as the game progresses — so many RPGs allocate hollow characters to weary fans of the genre.

The Bards Tale is worth a look from anyone, be they shoot-'em-up or text adventure fans. If you've been awestruck by *Legends of Valour* on the Amiga, this is the C64 equivalent.

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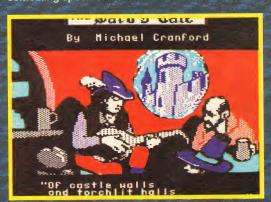
Ocean

As movie conversions go, there's none so ridiculous as Platoon. A film that's based on (and sets out to condemn) the horror of war — in this case, the Vietnam conflict being the subject matter - isn't exactly fodder for a good taste tie-in. However, Platoon is such a strong game, you can easily ignore the dubious licence. A multi-level mixture of several varied gamestyles, it's easily the most absorbing of this genre — and well worth every penny, should you buy it.

EAVY METAL PADROID

We had a choice between including the original Paradroid or this budget remix. In the end, we came to the conclusion that *Heavy Metal Paradroid* is an improvement over its first incarnation, so we featured it instead.

Paradroid sees you begin as a lowly robot. However, by battling with other droids in a unique sub-game, you can steal their add-ons to replace your own. There's level after level of droids to dispatch of (once you've got a decent weapon, it's easier), with your robot eventually becoming one mean piece of equipment. Its the mixture of strategy and blasting that makes *Paradroid* something special.



The Hit Squad The original International Karate and

Way of the Exploding Fist are beat-'emups played on a single screen, with two competitors. Both have enjoyable two-player modes and challenging computer-controlled opponents.

IK+ takes this style of fighting game one step further by adding a third character. Its free-for-all combat has a certain edge lacking in its contemporaries; fun with one player, it's even better with two where you can gang up on the computer-controlled fighter and give the swine a kicking. Fighting isn't all that IK+ has to offer - a neat sub-game pops up after every two bouts, breaking up the action and keeping the game



FIRST SAMURAI

Creatures 2 may be the best-looking C64 game available, but First Samurai is a close second. Colourful, clearly defined graphics such as Samural's are a rarity indeed — it even

Beneath this cosmetic excellence, there's one hell of a game. An arcade adventure with beat-'emup/platform overtones, it plays as well as it looks. Its name is supposed to be (or so we've heard) a pun at the expense of The Last Ninja — it's also programmed by the same team. Crap gag aside, this is one of the most absorbing games we've played

TURRICAN 2

Sequel to the awe-inspiring Turrican, the imaginatively-named Turrican 2 takes what its predecessor set out to do (and achieved) one step further. With graphics that wouldn't look out of place in a 16-bit game, it's a platform shoot-'em-up of the highest standard. It's also large — its many levels are a fair size, but there's a lot of them too. Its multiload may become tiresome for cassette users, but when a programmer has crammed as much detail into a game as Manfried Trenz has with *Turrican 2*, the delays are worthwhile.

SHADOWFIRE

Beyond

Predecessor to Enigma Force, Shadowfire is an icon-driven adventure that was way ahead of its time when it was released back in 1985. No other strategy game could rival it - still to this day, it can't fail to impress.

With six team members to control and a variety of situations to guide them through, Shadowfire has considerable depth and plays exceedingly well. It's a little too easy to compete once you've got the hang of it, but with an entire space station to explore, there's more to do than just 'win'...

RAINBOW ISLANDS The Hit Squad

As straight arcade games go, there's none so addictive or cheerful as Rainbow Islands. Using the rainbows of the game's title to negotiate platforms and destroy nasties in its vertically-scrolling levels is both novel and fun

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fresh. Graphically, it's astounding. It may only have one background, but this single setting is crammed detail -- water rippling in the background, spiders spinning their webs... it's

Reel Action

This isometric combination of gamestyles is one of the most highly rated games ever. Scoring an impressive 98% in its ZZAP! review, it's a game of skill, careful thought and... frustration! It's by no means easy — but that's not such a bad thing. It doesn't look or sound too hot - its graphics do give an indication of its age — but Spindizzy's playability is considerable

THE BLUES BROTHERS

Reel Action

Converting a cult movie like The Blues Brothers to any computer format is a tricky task indeed. How can you recreate the humour? The visuals? The plot?

When Titus (the game's publishers) obtained the rights to produce a Blues Brothers game, they created a platform game with very little in common with the film. However, as platform games go, it's one of the best ever. It even has an enjoyable twoplayer mode — few platform games offer this option. It looks, sounds and plays well. To conclude: we love it.

MERCENARY

Novagen

What is virtual reality? Is it wearing a blocky headset and wobbling around like a person possessed? Or is it where a computer-generated world or area is yours to explore? Does a first-person perspective game with objects displayed in wireframe 3D qualify as a virtual reality experience? If so, Mercenary's simulated world and its many roads, buildings and underground complexes is just that. It's unusual, as games of its genre go, in that there's more than one way to complete it - manage it once, and there's other methods or directions to go in.

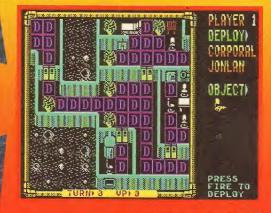
- as arcade conversions go, you couldn't hope for more. Power-ups are available to aid progress — why create one rainbow when you can make three?

All Rainbow Islands lacks is the two-player option of its arcade counterpart. With that, it would be a serious contender for the number one spot. It's still fantastic though, and now on budget it's a steal.

Firebird

This space trading game uses wireframe 3D to simulate space ships, space stations, planets, among other things. This first-person perspective is used amazingly well during Elite's many combat sequences. You see, Elite doesn't just include one planet or solar system there are literally thousands, individually named. As a trader, pirate or bounty hunter — whatever you choose to be during play - you can explore these, trade anything from gems to slaves, buy superior equipment for your ship...

It's Elite's non-linier nature that makes it something to write home about. Its combat sequences are great; although controlling your craft through space is initially tricky, movement soon becomes instinctive. Also, a save game option means that individual achievements can literally go on forever. Despite its age (and origin — it's a conversion of a classic BBC Micro game!) Elite's as deep as they



FRANKIE GOES TO

Ocean

So here it is... the COMMODORE FORCE number one game. It's an unusual choice - we doubt many of our younger readers will have heard of it — but Frankie is excellent in places that most games don't have places. Like The Blues Brothers, it's a strange licence — how could you convert a band into a computer game, for gods sake? Well basically, you can't. But Denton Designs — Frankie's programmers — had a damn good stab at it, and came up with the most enjoyable, strange and challenging arcade adventure we've ever seen. Complementing the

LASER SQUAD **Blade Software** Strategy games don't appeal to

HEAD OVER HEELS

Isometric 3D games have come and

gone, but there's none so brilliant as

so impressed by it, he converted it to the Amiga as

a one man (commissioned) labour of love — such

Head and Heels - your first objective is to get the

twosome together. Once they're reunited, you can join them together and use their combined abilities

to great effect, while trying to engineer the downfall

of the Blacktooth empire. Trying to explain how

good Head over Heels is in a small space could

never do it justice - it's a classic. So, basically,

Controlling two initially separated characters -

Ocean's Head over Heels. One fan was

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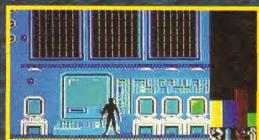
is the power of this game.

we're not going to bother.

everyone. However, it's hard to see how Laser Squad couldn't — it's so well programmed and presented there's little about it that could be criticised. If you like the idea of assassination attempts, frenetic gun battles and lots of explosions, Laser Squad's the game for you. With several skill levels for each of its five missions, playing against the computer is certainly a lasting challenge. However, it's against another human competitor that Laser Squad really excels. Its unique 'line of sight' feature means that, if someone's behind a wall, you can't see them. This makes for highly entertaining battles — where did that heavily-armed battle droid go? Are you about to be ambushed? Is that a grenade in the bushes? Laser Squad is the benchmark with which all similar games are judged.

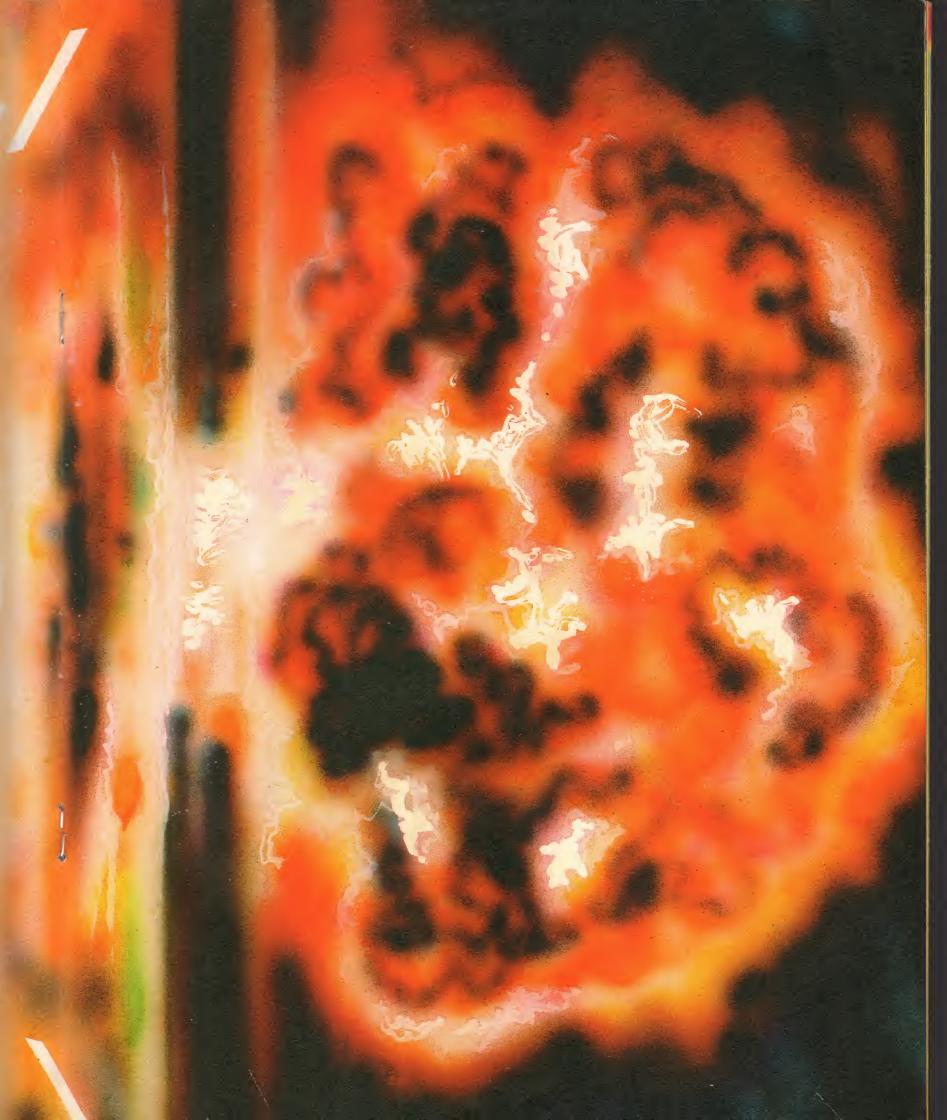
main body of the action are a collection of playable arcade sub-games — these are accessed at different points of the game.

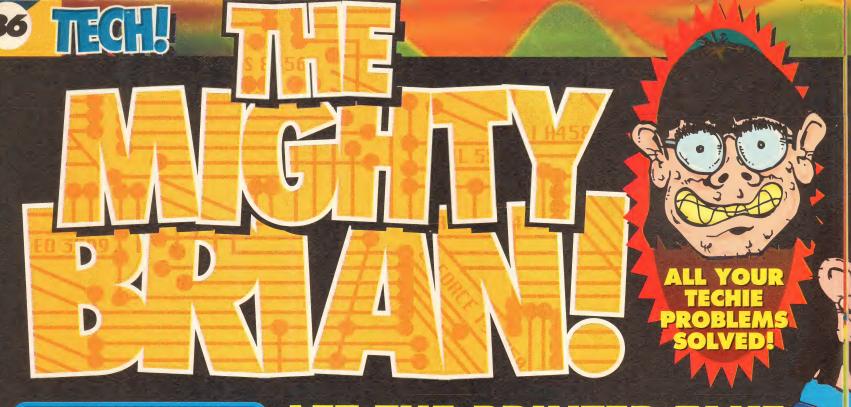
The only problem that we can see with Frankie, is that it's not available any more. You might pick it up on a market stall somewhere.



So, that's our Top 100. Remember, it's all a matter of personal taste — some people prefer certain genres, and rate them higher than others. At the end of the day, it's difficult to compare one style of game to another. For example, The Bard's Tale differs from Salamander in almost every way. How could those two be compared? Well, we've tried to be fair and — basically — we've said what we think. Feel free to write to Lloyd to voice your opinions on our preferences — in a future issue, we'll be compiling a readers' all-time fave games chart, so your words of wisdom (or otherwise) won't be ignored...







Follow us, through the dangerous corridors of the Impact offices, down beneath the crowded Commodore Force office, to the partially-lit quarters of Professor Brian Strain! It's time once more for the technical genius to answer your cries for help, and also to pass on some of the pearls of wisdom sent in by readers themselves...

LET THE PRINTER TAKE THE STRAIN

Dear Professor,

I purchased a second-hand printer, model 1526 for my C64 a few months ago. I've tried everything to get it to work. I've even written to Commodore asking for their help. I'm sure there must be a way to get it to print. So please, please help me so I can finally get to use it.

Daniel Kerswill, Grove, Wantage.

 There are a lot of polite people saying please, aren't there? Here's some official Commodore information on the 1526:

'The Vic 1526 prints bidirectionally. This gives a faster speed of operation. It has a cartridge ribbon and accepts paper up to 10 inches wide. The 1526 plugs directly to your Commodore 64

— no special interface is required.'
If you're still confused and want to use the printer with commercial programs, look for the following options:

1526

MPS 802

Commodore

Serial

Device 4

Work through that list from top to bottom. You might also like to try this:

1) Enter some text in a BASIC program. Do this by typing a line number, then a space, then what you want to say. You can use any characters.

2) Type POKE22, 35

DIRECTORY ENQUIRIES

Dear Brian,

I have a problem with a disk arranging program I'm making. It's almost finished, but I have some trouble with the program when it tries to read the directory. Can you use the GET function to read the directory from within a BASIC program? If so, how?

Also, is there a better manual for the *3D* Construction Kit than the one that comes with it?

Stefan Hogdahl, Jakobstad, Finland.

• It's great to hear from our overseas readers, but this time I can only offer half a solution. You can read the directory from within a program using GET, but this method is too difficult to use to re-arrange a directory. What I can give you is a program to list the directory within a program, as you would set it when you load and list it:

PRINT CHR\$ (147);

20 OPEN 1, 8, 0 "\$0"

30 GET#1, A\$, B\$

40 GET#1, A\$, B\$ 50 GET#1, A\$, B\$

60 C=0

70 IFA\$<>""THEN C=ASC (A\$)

80 IFB\$<>""THEN C=C+ASC (B\$)*256

90 PRINTCHR\$ (18) MID\$ (STR\$ (C), 2); TAB (3) ;CHR\$ (146);

100 GET#1, B\$: IFST<>0 THEN 100

110 IFB\$<>CHR\$ (34) THEN 100

120 GET#1, B\$:IFB\$<>CHR\$ (34) THEN PRINTB\$;:GOTO120

130 GET#1, B\$:IFB\$=CHR\$ (32) THEN 130

140 PRINTTAB (18); :C\$="

150 C\$=C\$+B\$:GET#1, B\$:IFB\$<>"" THEN 150

160 PRINTCHR\$ (19) LEFT\$ (C\$, 3)

170 IFST=0 THEN 40

180 PRINT "BLOCK FREE"

190 CLOSE1

• If you're interested, the GET# command acts like the GET command, but it doesn't take inputs from the keyboard; instead it draws information from an open file. In this case, an open file means a 'link' between computer and peripheral like a disk drive. By the way, (he says, putting on his turban) the Games Guru is interested in doing a round-up on game-making utilities and how to get the best out of them. If you've got a favourite, advice or questions write to the usual address.



3) Type OPEN4, 4: CMD4:LIST

4) Wait until the printer stops and type PRINT#4:CLOSE4

5) Press RUN-STOP and RESTORE, and admire the output!

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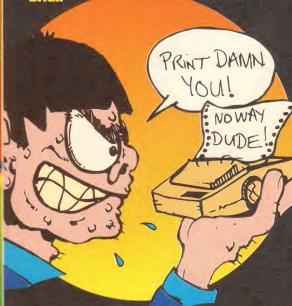
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LAND OF CONFUSION

With the Sprint 128 plugged in the cassette port, how do you use a cassette deck? The manual states 'do not plug in or unplug anything while the computer is switched on'. I was thinking of buying the LC2000 package from Datel, plus Action Replay, the mouse and the art package. Are they as good as the advert claims? Do you get the Sprint 128 with the printer?

W Parker, Forest Hill, London

• Without a fancy interface, you can't use a cassette deck and the Sprint 128 at the same time. Anyhow, the LC200 package is no longer supplied with a Sprint 128, but it does have a Centronics Printer Lead (RRP £12.99). This is fully compatible with the Action Replay, Colour Printer Driver and Art Studio. As for adverts claiming excellence, I can assure that all three are superb products. The Datalux mouse acts as a joystick for maximum compatibility, the Advanced Art Studio is the BEST art package, and the Star LC200 is a very versatile printer. Best of all, it prints in full colour.

Brian



SPRITES AND JOYSTICKS

 Michael 'Reel Action' Reel of Belfast produced the following program that allows you to fly a balloon around the screen with a joystick in port two.

10 PRINTCHR\$ (147):V=53248

20 POKEV+21,1:POKEV+39,1:POKEV+16, 0

30 POKE2040, 13

40 FORN=OTO62

50 READQ

60 POKE832+N, Q

70 NEXT

80 X=50:Y=229

90 IFX>256 THEN POKEV+16,1:POKEV,X-256:GOTO110

100 POKEV+16, 0:POKEV, X

110 POKEV+1, Y

120 J=127-PEEK (56320):REM CHANGE TO 56321=PORT 1

130 IF (JANDI)=1 THEN Y=Y-1:REM UP

140 IF (JAND2)=2 THEN Y=Y+1:REM DOWN

150 IF (JAND4)=4 THEN X=X-1:REM LEFT

160 IF (JAND8)=8 THEN X=X+1:REM RIGHT

170 IF (JAND16)=16 THEN 230:REM FIRE

180 IFX<24 THÉN X=24

190 IFX>320 THEN X=320

200 IFY<50 THEN Y=50

210 IFY>229 THEN Y=229

220 GOTO90

230 POKEV=21, O:END

500 DATA 0, 127, 0, 1, 255, 1, 192, 3, 255, 224, 3, 231, 224

510 DATA 7, 217, 240, 7, 223, 240, 7, 217, 240, 3, 231, 224

520 DATA 3, 255, 224, 3, 255, 224, 2, 255, 160, 1, 127, 64

530 DATA 1, 62, 64, 0, 156, 128, 0, 156, 128, 0, `73, 0, 0, 73, 0

540 DATA 0, 62, 0, 0, 62, 0, 0, 62, 0, 0, 28, 0 RUN the program and you'll see Richard's

balloon sprite at the

bottom of the screen. Move it around, and

you'll notice

I've re-

written the program to

keep the sprite visible at

all times pressing FIRE will

END the program.

Cor blimey! I'm Billy Balloon and I just love being moved around the screen! Ain't I neat, kids?

TEN-FOUR BREAKER!

I'm an OAP, a radio amateur, and have just acquired a Commodore 64 with printer. Not knowing much about it, how can I use to for my hobby and also in music education? All information will be appreciated.

WJ Roberts, Hodnet, Shropshire

• I know for a fact that Kingsway PD have some disks at £2.99, dedicated to radio amateurs. Send an SAE to Department C64, 72 Glencoe Rd, Sheffield S2 2SR. And say you saw their address in COMMODORE FORCE!

As for music, the best package is the Advanced Music Studio, but unless you have a MIDI keyboard the package from DATEL is expensive. It uses full musical notation, you can print out music with lyrics, and even a record a song as you play it!

So another month of solving techie troubles comes to an end, and... oh, where's me turban? It's the Games Guru over the page, and... ah, there it is. Write to me, THE ONE AND ONLY member of the Anti-Chesney Hawkes Federation at: Professor Brian Strain, Commodore Force, Impact Magazines, Ludlow,

Shropshire SY8 1JW.





deep into the mysterious world of programming, Professor Brian Strain emerges once more with some useful advice and a whole load of numbers. Oh, believe it or not, the turban does make a difference...

PRIORITY ONE!

here are 2 types of priority — sprite to sprite priority and sprite to background priority.

With sprite-sprite priority, sprite 0 has the highest and sprite 7 the lowest. This means sprite 0 will always appear to move in front of sprite 1, sprite 1 will appear to move in front of

THE MEANING OF... SPRITES

ontinuing our in-depth look at sprites, this month we present a fact-filled table showing you how to use the many features available to you. But first, an explanation of the terms in the table: SPRITE X means the location deals with that sprite number X only (remember that X is in the range O to 7) COLOUR means that the location is intended to hold a colour value, in the range 0 to 15 (see Table 2) BIT means that each of the BITs that make up the BYTE deals with an individual sprite. More on BITs later,

sprite 2 and so on. If you saw last month's tutorial on overlaid sprites, you'll probably have worked out that the monochrome sprite has to appear in front of the multicolour one. So, the monochrome will be a lower number than the multicolour one. Simple, isn't it?

Sprite-background priority is more difficult. Firstly, the location controlling it is normally set to 0, and all sprites will appear in front of characters on the screen. Setting any bit in location 53275 will cause any sprite to appear behind the background characters. Confused? Let me explain a bit further.

Imagine a sprite as a transparent sheet placed on the screen. The DATA you POKE into memory gives that sprite an image, although the sheet is still 24 by 21 pixels in size. This sheet can move across the screen, without affecting characters. Setting the priority bit in location 53275 puts the

sheet behind the characters on screen. Where there is a pixel displayed in the character, the sprite will be invisible. Where the background colour is displayed in the character, the sprite will be invisible. Where the background colour is



COLOURS TABLE

White
Red
Cyan
Purple
Dark Green
Dark Blue
Yellow

8 Orange 9 Brown 10 Pink 11 Dark Grey 12 Medium Grey 13 Light Green

14 Light Blue 15 Light Grey

BITS AND PIECES

In table one, several locations deal with all eight sprites at once; this is more efficient and saves having an individual location for every sprite. Basically, each location works like a row of pixels that make up a sprite. If a pixel is set, then the sprite has that particular feature activated.

To set an individual sprite's bit ON in one of the locations, we can use the following POKE: POKE location, PEEK (location) or 2N —

where N is the sprite number 0 to 7.

For example, POKE V+21,255 sets all the bits ON (making all the sprites visible). It is effectively repeating the first POKE eight times, setting all the bits on (changing what was already there). If you had turned all the sprites' bits in a location on, and wanted to turn one or more off, you can use this POKE:

POKE location, PEEK (location) AND (255-2N) — where N is again 0-7

TABLE 1 - THE SPRITE MEMORY TABLE Location Type What it does

5328 (V)

53293 (V+45)

53294 (V+46)

0020 (1)	OFFICE	A position
53249 (V+1)	SPRITE O	Y "
53250 (V+2)	SPRITE 1	Χ "
53251 (V+3)	SPRITE 1	Υ "
53252 (V+4)	SPRITE 2	Χ "
53253 (V+5)	SPRITE 2	Υ "
53254 (V+6)	SPRITE 3	Χ "
53255 (V+7)	SPRITE 3	Υ "
53256 (V+8)	SPRITE 4	Χ "
53257 (V+9)	SPRITE 4	Υ "
53258 (V+10)	SPRITE 5	Χ "
53259 (V+11)	SPRITE 5	Υ "
53260 (V+12)	SPRITE 6	Χ "
53261 (V+13)	SPRITE 6	Υ "
53262 (V+14)	SPRITE 7	Χ "
53263 (V+15)	SPRITE 7	Y "
53264 (V+16)	BIT	Is X position greater
		than 255?
53269 (V+21)	BIT	Turn on/off sprite
53271 (V+23)	BIT	Expand sprite
()		vertically
53275 (V+27)	BIT	Sprite-background
(1,1,1,1,1,1,1,1,1,1,1,1,1,1,1,1,1,1,1,		priority
53276 (V+28)	BIT	Multicolour mode
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53277 (V+29)	BIT	Expand sprite
(, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,		horizontally
53278 (V+30)	BIT	Sprite-sprite collision
53279 (V+31)	BIT	Sprite-background
, ,		collision
53285 (V+37)	COLOUR	
53286 (V+38)	COLOUR	
53287 (V+39)	SPRITE 0 COL	
53288 (V+40)	SPRITE 1 COL	
53289 (V+41)		
53290 (V+42)	SPRITE 3 COL	OUR
53291 (V+43)	SPRITE 4 COL	OUR
53292 (V+44)	SPRITE 5 COL	

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displayed in the character, the sprite is visible, like an object in a window.

Using the priority, you can create clever effects; for example, *Creatures 2* uses the effect in several places, causing Clyde to run behind frozen grass

and tall trees. The fact that some of these characters are in multicolour makes the effect more complicated; the sprites will be hidden by certain colours, or appear in front of others to give a 3-dimensional effect!

BACK TO THE BACKGROUND

nstead of hiding the sprites behind characters, we can see if a sprite has hit a background character. It only works when a pixel in the sprite hits a pixel in the background that is set ON (ie it is not displaying the background colour). Characters that contain all the pixels set to zero will not cause a collision.

By checking location 53279 with the POKE given earlier, we can tell which sprites have hit a background character. To find out what the

character is, and which onscreen it is, use the following lines

ROW=PEEK (x)-50:ROW=INT(ROW/8) COL=PEEK (y)-24:COL=INT (COL/8) HIT=1024+COL+(ROW*40)

By using PEEK (HIT) we'll get the value of the character at that space on the screen (location

CRASH! BANG! WALLOP!

f you're programming a game, you need to have objects colliding. Bullets hit enemies, your main character hits a spike that kills him, and so on. The Commodore 64 includes two methods of detecting collisions, but many programmers use their own methods. We'll stick with the option everyone has available. Locations 53278 and 53279 are constantly updated whenever a collision occurs. However, after reading a value it's a good idea to POKE the location(s) with 0 to clear the 'old' collision and get ready for a new one.

Location 53278 is for detecting if a sprite has hit another sprite. PEEKing the location gives you a value. To check which sprite or sprites are involved, use this line.

IF PEEK (V+30) AND (2N)=2 N THEN ... This means that if the Nth bit (corresponding to sprite number N) is set, a collision involving that sprite has occurred. Time for a demonstration...

10 PRINTCHR\$(147)

- 20 V=53248
- 30 FORI=12288 TO 12288+64
- 40 POKE I, 255:NEXT
- 50 POKE2040, 192:POKE2041,
- 192:POKEV+21, 3
- 60 POKEV+39, 1:POKE+40,15
- 70 POKEV, 75
- 80 POKEV+3, 200
- 90 FOR I=1 TO 200
- 100 POKE V+1, I
- 110 POKE V=2, 250-I
- 120 REM PEEK (V+30), 0
- 130 A=PEEK (V+30)
- 140 IFA<>0 THEN 160
- 150 NEXT:GOTO90
- 160 PRINT"CRASH!"
- 170 END

It's a simple program, but with more than two sprites on-screen the collision register is not enough. We would need to check the coordinates of the colliding sprites to see where they were — a technique that would be very slow in BASIC. The REM in line 120 hides the statement necessary to clear old collisions from the location. Remove the REM and see what happens...

1024 is where the screen is normally kept). Note that x and y mean the locations containing the x and y locations of the sprite you're checking for collisions. Pretty straightforward, isn't it?

LAST BUT NOT LEAST

ere's a tiny titbit of information you might like to know. All this talk of collisions and so on has important consequences when you come to design a sprite. You must remember the following:

1) Collisions only occur between PIXELS not the actual area of the sprite. In other words, sprites don't act as a 'block' on-screen, but react when the actual image touches something else.

2) The image of your sprite will not be at the EXACT co-ordinates you specify unless its image is in the

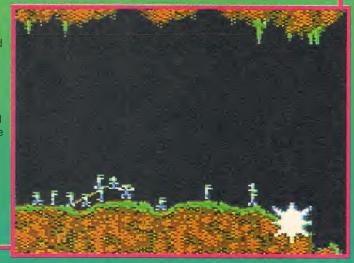


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very top left-hand corner. If you've drawn an arrow or pointer, remember that it must point to the very top left hand pixel, which is the

point which determines the sprite's co-ordinates.

3) BEWARE! Sprite multicolour 1 is invisible! Technically speaking, anything drawn in sprite multicolour 1 cannot collide with anything else (when using the built-in collision routines, that is).



In our never-ending quest for information, next month I'll show you how yogic flying has nothing to do with characters, how transcendental meditation won't help you draw better sprites, and how yoghurt can't exist without the lumpy bits. Until we meet again, send your pleas for enlightenment to: THE GAMES GURU, COMMODORE FORCE, IMPACT MAGAZINES, **LUDLOW, SHROPSHIRE SY8 IJW. As someone** famous once forgot to say, Brian is quicker than the eye. Goodbye!

TROUSERS! I didn't think Miles was serious about taking over the tips section but he is... and he has! I arrived in the office and Guttery leapt out and ripped up previous tips pages in front of my face. As I reeled in pain, he erased a thousand pokes I had carefully typed out earlier... and made me watch! I ended up unconscious on the floor — that's when Miles said the ultimate put-down. Spitefully: 'You're mad you are'. What an awful thing to say! Okay, maybe he did see me balancing a packet of Just Fruits on a snail, and maybe the conversation I held with a staircase and a bag of krill looked a bit strange, but who does he think I am? Chris Hayward? Wait a minute...

s Rick Dangerous 2 one of themost frustrating games ever? Here's a cheat to help you on your way. On the hi-score table, type JE VEUX VIVRE (with spaces) for infy lives.





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rom Banbury arrived a well smart collection of type-in pokes for Ocean games. 'Hey, much thanks to Julian Pearce' cried Tipster, loudly.

AASTER PROGRA! REM OCEAN GAMES HACK (Hurran!)

- **REM BY JULES 1993**
- 3 FOR X=384 TO 441 : READ Y : C=C+Y : POKE X, Y: NEXT: IF C<>2740 THEN PRINT "DATA ERROR": END
- 4 READ Y: IF Y=-1 THEN POKE 157, 128: SYS 384
- 5 POKE X,Y: X=X+1: GOTO 4
- 10 DATA 032, 086, 245, 169, 032, 141, 084, 003
- 11 DATA 169, 147, 141, 085, 003, 169, 001, 141
- 12 DATA 086, 003, 096, 072, 032, 156, 001, 104

13 DATA 206, 032, 208, 096

Type in the master program then simply add the following data lines for the appropriate game.

BATMAN THE MOVIE 20 DATA 169, 173, 141, 023, 019, 096, -1 Infy lives

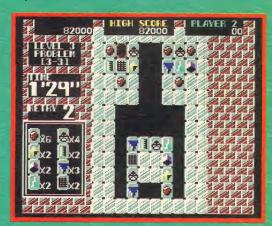


NEW ZEALAND STORY 20 DATA 169, 173, 141, 143, 012, 096, -1 Infy lives

EOBOCOP 20 DATA 160, 000, 141, 128, 173, 096, -1 Infy energy

RAINBOW ISLANDS 20 DATA 169, 189, 141, 132, 111, 096, -1 Infy lives

PUZZNIC20 DATA 169, 173, 141, 246, 035, 169, 189, 141
21 DATA 171, 036, 096, -1 Infy time and re-tries



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elvin Green of Uckfield has come to the rescue of anyone having trouble with Issue Eight's cover smash, Rampage. The following listing makes the characters far more hardy against anything the puny humans can throw at 'em.

- REM HEY HEY, IT'S A RAMPAGE TYPE-IN POKE!
- FOR X=384 TO 420 : READ Y : C=C+Y : POKE X,Y : NEXT
- IF C•greater than, less than•3751 THEN PRINT "DATA ERROR" END POKE 157, 128 : SYS 384 DATA 032, 086, 245, 169, 144, 141, 246,
- 003
- DATA 169, 001, 141, 247, 003, 076, 167,
- DATA 169, 157, 141, 117, 009, 169, 001,
- DATA 118, 009, 076, 000, 008, 169, 189,
- DATA 031, 137, 076, 013, 008





nyone stuck in Code Masters' splendiferous Spike in Transylvania? If your answer's in the positive, kindly reserve a large pat on the back for Brendan Donnelly of Dublin - here's his full solution to this corking caper:

Starting at the blacksmiths, get the glove and door knob the open the door with the knob. Out, left, touch apple and in. Get gold and leave hovel. Go right until you reach the drawbridge and give gold to the guard who will then leave. Go right twice and push the lever down avoiding the bat. Go right and into door (2). Left twice and use chairs to avoid the two guards. Left and in door. Right and get ploughman's lunch. Left, out door, right twice avoiding guards and right twice again. In door,

right, in door and get key.

Out, right and get key. Up three times, get key and up again. Use glove to ring bell which deafens the bat. Get bat and go down four times. Now go left twice and in door. Go into door (2) and through door (2) in the next room. Right, drop bat and left. Up, get toad-juice, right, get key and enter door. Right get crucifix and left. Out, left twice and drop crucifix then left twice more. Give ploughman's lunch to farmer for wellies, go right twice, pick up crucifix and go right twice again. Enter door (2) enter door then enter the door in the next room and go right twice into the dungeons. Go left, push down lever, go right and drop the four keys you are carrying. Go right twice and enter door. Use wellies to cross mud. Now enter first door, left twice. Enter door, drop crucifix and get spell book. Get crucifix, out. Right twice and enter door (2). Enter door (2) in next room. Left twice and enter door, left twice, enter door, enter door (2). Left twice, drop crucifix, right twice and enter door. Enter door, right, put bat, toad-juice and spellbook in cauldron to get tie. Left and enter door. Enter door in next room, left eight times and enter inn. Go right, get wine, enter door, get key and cannonball. Down, drop bone, right twice, enter door, right twice, enter door, get key and stereo. Repeat the movements backwards until you reach outside the shack. Right eight times, enter door (2), enter door in next room, right twice and enter dungeons.

Give guard stereo and when he leaves free prisoner. Drop wellies and get keys. Right twice, free prisoner and enter door. Left, free prisoner, right, enter door, left, free prisoner, and right. Enter door, give guard wine, free prisoner, right and free last prisoner.

Now sit back and watch the end sequence. Hints

- 1) (2) refers to the second door in a room.
- 2) The torch is a red herring.
- 3) Drop the crucifix to kill ghosts.

And there you have it — what could be simpler? A one sided Rubik's cube perhaps, but little else.

n interesting little cheat, this unfortunately it only works with the disk version of Hawk. After typing LOAD "*",8,1 press SHIFT LOCK and release when level one has loaded. Now, miraculously, you should have a never-ending supply of lovely lives! Thank's to Lee Wiseman.





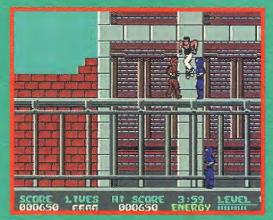
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20 DATA 169, 000, 141, 215, 019, 141, 253, 019 21 DATA 169, 173, 141, 060, 040, 169, 254, 141 22 DATA 228, 181, 096, -1 Infy lives, keys and weapons



20 DATA 169, 173, 141, 121, 141, 169, 000, 141 21 DATA 133, 135, 096, -1 Infy lives and time

20 DATA 169, 173, 141, 122, 128, 169, 000, 141 21 DATA 076, 130, 096, -1 Infy lives and time



CHASE HQ20 DATA 169, 173, 141, 094, 143, 096, -1 Infy turbos

20 DATA 169, 173, 141, 146, 152, 096, -1 Infy time





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Pick up someone else's litter

Send your mum some flowers

Strip right down to your underwear

Go for a run around the block

Ring 071 700 3100 and tell London something it needs to know

Tune your radio to Kiss and pull the knob off

Believe in yourself

Eat a pineapple

Write the alphabet backwards

Meet an old Friend you haven't seen for years

Make a record

Dance the dance electric

Plant a tree

Phone someone you love

Give up your seat on the tube every day,

Go for a day without speaking

Learn a second language

Write to Mother Teresa Every day at the same time stop and think about something wonderful

Go and see Ryan Giggs

Say a prayer every night

Get your nipple pierced

Have a day without TV

Read a page from a book by Charles Dickens

Play Football in the street

Hug someone of the same sex

Put your change into a bottle for a year and give it to charity Give £100 to a down and out

Make a statement

Visit Great Ormond Street Hospital

Begin something you've always wanted to begin Order an empty skip and leave it outside your house for a week

Go to the market and spend 10p Learn something new every day

Throw away your watch

Make everyone at work a cup of tea

Wear a wig

Help someone today

Take a picture of your back

Males cale

Take a friend to the 200

Croon to your partner under a full moon

Say yes for a day

Turn your radio up full blast

Teach a child to read

Buy a book on Jeff Koons

Stare at the clouds for a full ten minutes

Talk to a child about the future

Think purple

Wallpaper the inside of your car

Go on holiday and don't take any luggage

Buy Marvin Gaye's 'What's going on'

Tell someone a secret

Get on a bus you've never been on before

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Eat something you've never tried before	Tell the truth for a day	Tell someone vou appreciate what they do
Ride a Merry-go-round	Scream	Buy a Friend vour Favourite hook
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Send someone a telegram	Listen to Rodigan's next show, in	the park
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Go to a museum	Forgive someone Write a fairy-tale	e Do one thing to make the world a better place to live

Take a Friend to the zoo

Luone someone you love

Il the way across the ocean from sunny (!?) Sweden, comes this complete solution to that eerie covertape game of a couple of months back, Starflight

Here goes: Press blue button. Press red button. Press green button, Press orange button, S. E. Wear space-suit. Take pouch. U. Close inner door. Open outer door. U. Examine uniform. Take keys. W. W. W. S. S. E. E. E. E. S. Unlock box. Open box. Take sonic disruptor. N. W. W. S. Rotate cylinder. Drop disruptor. N. E. W. S. D. Examine uniform. Take knife. Cut pouch. Take crowbar, Push yellow button. Push

yellow button. Push yellow button. U. N. W. N. N. Remove suit. Drop suit. N. Take magnet. S. Wear suit. E. E. E. Unlock panel. Pry panel. Press black button. Press white button. W. W. W. S. S. E. E. E. S. Open door, N. W. W. S. D. Close inner door. Open outer door. D. Close outer door. Open inner door. D. W. N. Push orange button. S. E. U. Close inner door. Drop magnet. Touch magnet. Open outer door. Close outer door. Open inner door. D. W. N. Push yellow button.

Take a bow Anders Orbilt - you're now

game. When you're about to die, quickly switch the joystick to port two and press fire - don't look now but you've suddenly got nine extra lives, yippee!

nyone who tried to use the infy credits listing from Issue One's tips book may have found it incompatible with certain versions — your strife is over! With a resounding thud this guaranteed-working-forall-versions listing dropped through the COMMODORE FORCE skylight and declared itself all-present and accounted for.

ailing from Kilkenny in the Emerald Isle,

dodge for the that odd bubble-bursting

Joseph Long has come across this dandy

Hello to Sajad Akram from Derby - t'was he who supplied the goods.

- REM BUBBLE BOBBLE CHEAT
 - FOR X=52992 TO 53113; READ Y: C=C+Y: POKE X,Y: NEXT
- FOR X=608 TO 615 : READ Y : C=C+Y: POKE X,Y: NEXT
- IF C



lex Joliffe -- he of Devon notoriety -reckons he's found a way to get Kiki

straight to the third level of this classic

coin-op caper.

When the title screen appears, hold down RUN/STOP, RETURN and DELETE, at which point the border should turn a pleasant grey colour. Start the game as normal by pressing fire then hit F7 and UP/RIGHT on the joystick - level three

AUTUMN

IN WADERS

To make infinite lives your own type 'Private Pilot' when the title screen appears.



here I was, sitting serenely at my desk one dreamy afternoon, flicking through the day's tips. Idle thoughts flitted through my mind in a tapestry of cheerful images, when WALLOP! I was jolted from my trance-like state, as a volume of frightening proportions crashed down before me. Within were so many tips, cheats, pokes, more tips, more cheats and flipping great wodges of listings that a large stick would have to be shaken vigorously to cover the half of it. Utmost congratulations must go to Stephen Renehan for it all. You're finally a winner, now take the cart and get ye lost! Only jesting — I've only been able to include the tiniest morsel of what Stephen's sent, due to a lack of space this ish. Look out for more in the coming months...

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0 Some TRIAX DREA JANKO

eams of pokes are flowing in daily through the Commodore Force letterbox so, snorkels at the ready, let's wade in shall we? Oh, by the way, you'll need a pretty little Action Replay cart for this little lot — sent in by that friendly Vince Niceforo from Australia.

 Airborne Ranger 	3192, 173	Grenades
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	61647, 173	Time bombs
	11285, 173	Ammo
	2270, 173	First aid kits
	61844, 173	Time
1942	5884, 173	Rolls
Guardians Tomb	47081, 165	Time
Zynaps	47106, 173	Lives
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Zaxxon	34275, 173	Lives
Donkey Kong	41212, 173	Lives
	44037, 173	Lives
Eagle Empire	22430, 173	Lives
Snookie	30116, 173	Lives
Midnight		
Resistance	10092, 173	Lives
Rainbow Islands	29508, 189	Lives
Felix Factory	30132, 173	Lives
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Tangent	35173, 173	Lives
Kung Fu Master	45100, 189	Lives
Bruce Lee	6182, 165	Lives
Pitfall	19243, 165	Lives
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Spy Hunter	39487, 173	Lives
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Hunters Moon	8155,	165	Lives
Petch	20295,	173	Lives
Cobra	13514,	173	Lives
Last Duel	33631,	173	Lives
Double Dragon	24962,	173	Lives
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Barbarian 2	35441,	165	Lives
	37742,	165	Lives
Orion	3713,	165	Lives
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Firelord	5721,	173	Lives
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Mega Apocalypse	32417,	173	Lives
Outrun	34700,	173	Time
Guardian 2	17618,		Lives
	23858,	173	Bombs
Chase HQ	36702,	173	Turbo boosts
Falcon Patrol	5595,	165	Ammo

	22491, 165	Ammo
	36957, 165	Ammo
	16764, 165	Lives
Falcon Patrol 2	32226, 165	Ammo
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	30980, 165	Fuel
 Ghosts 'n'Goblins 	2358, 173	Lives
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Last Ninja 2	37456, 173	Lives level 1
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	31852, 173	Lives level 3
	35481, 173	Lives level 4
	35771, 173	Lives level 5
	36879, 173	Lives level 6
	34444, 173	Lives level 7
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	28800, 165	Lives level 3
	29035, 165	Lives level 4
	29192, 165	Lives level 5
Wizard of War	43359, 173	Lives
• Willard Or War	46673, 189	Lives
	47468, 189	Lives
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		Time in safety box
	43104, 165	Time in safety box
	43122 165	Time in safety box
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Nemesis	5975, 189	Lives
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Phew! Thanks for those, Vince.

JUDGE DREDD

Hold down the keys K,Y,L,I,E to skip straight to the ends of levels.

NETHERWORLD

Hold down 2,4 and E and advance through levels at you leisure.

TOTAL RECALL

Get a high score and enter your name as LIFE STILL GOES ON and the border should flash white. The left arrow key now advances levels, with F1 to start.

COOL CROC TWINS

Some passwords TRIAX **FLOYD DREAM HUMAN** MUNGO **HINEY JANKO** MAGIC

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GOMES

Cabinet codes: Red 7 Blue 1

White 6 White 50

Safe code: 07041776

SILKWORM

Finally, a listing hack for that classic tale of jeep

and helicopter.

0 REM SILKWORM CHEAT BY SR

FOR X=376 TO 411 : READ Y : C=C+Y : POKE X,Y: NEXT

2 IF C=3298 THEN POKE 157,128 : SYS 376

PRINT "DATA ERROR"
DATA 32, 86, 245, 169, 1, 141, 29, 4, 96, 72, 77, 80

5 DATA 169, 125, 141, 245, 13, 141, 7, 20, 169, 69, 141, 248 6 DATA 19, 141, 8, 20, 169, 95, 141, 9, 75, 76,



ot only has Alex been busy with NZS, he's also taken time out to investigate this disappointing demolition derby. While playing hold down fire and type 'growler'. If you find yourself running out of seconds, press 'T' and miraculously the timer will reset. Cool or what?

Our old friend Luke Croll's been rather rapid off the blocks, as he's already compiled these tips for last issue's hack 'n' slash spectacular.

LEVEL 1:

Keep backing off while using head chops to defeat the giant Neanderthal. To beat Sauron, simply stay low and chop. Against the mutant chicken, keep away 'til it stands straight, then low

LEVEL 2

Get Orcs with the head chop. When confronted by carnivores, wait until they leap, then get them with a high chop.

Against the stinger, all that are needed are high chops.

LEVEL 3

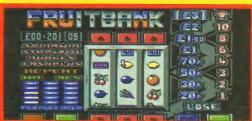
Leap the pit to avoid the tentacle, and use high chops on the floating eyes. When the dungeon master punches you, use a low chop then, when he approaches again, get him with a flying neck

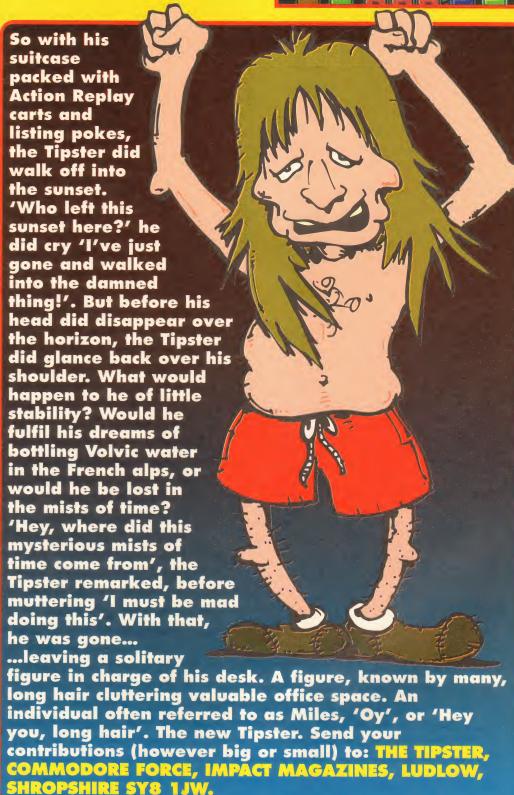
LEVEL 4

You want to kill the first monster? Easy — just walk backwards into him. Kill the great demon with a flying chop, followed by a low chop. Drax himself should pose no problems — stand in front of the corpse and do a flying neck chop.

ith the mountainous quantities of hints arriving, it's impossible to hints arriving, it's impossible to include them all — nevertheless, a big round of applause to everyone who's sent anything at all, ever. Keep a look out in future issues — your turn will come. Thanks go to: Jake Manley (Titchfield), J Button (Ipswich), Mark Hodgkinson (Stalybridge), Arif Khan (New Malden), Carl Dickinson (Atherton), Nilchil Dey (Little Horton), David Farren (Lylmore), Stephen Hawker (Leicester), Kevin Doherty (Artane), Tom Monks (Queensville), John Crutty (Cappoquin, Michael Kissane John Crutty (Cappoquin, Michael Kissane (Lisselton), Si(le)mon Curd (Paignton), Liam Carmody (Causeway Village), Edward Gregory

ut in Prestwich, Emma Moores has found a handy little trick for Issue One's gambling covergame, Fruitbank. When playing ensure you have a second joystick connected in port one. You can now use fire on the second stick to convert winnings into extra credits — up to a maximum of 99. Each additional credit costs ten shiny new pence.



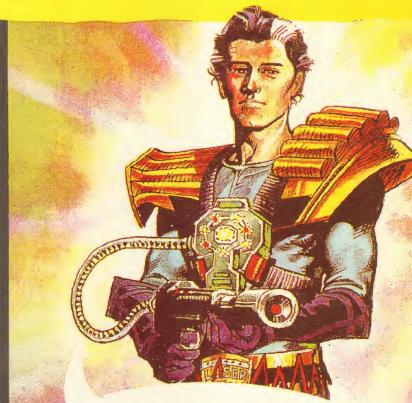


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Another issue, another deluge of mail. I'm beginning to get a mite peeved with letters predicting the C64's demise; let's have a more positive (and preferably) amusing class of mail on these pages, eh? Anyway, on with the show...

NO SALE

Dear Lloyd,

Some years ago, my local computer stockists STOPPED selling C64 games. But then I saw a new computer mag at my newsagent (The Norwegian Home Computer Club). They were

selling C64 games and software...

They were my last hope. But, in 1992 something happened — I bought my first copy of ZZAP! 64 Issue 86. I was impressed — 100% colour. Now the date is 4/8/93, and the last issue of TNHCC has

just arrived, containing ONE PAGE of C64 software. They have forgotten the awesome 64. All other pages in their mag are for the Amiga and PC—a big loss.

Luckily, my local computer shop started with EDOS! I was saved — I bought *Turrican* and *Treasure Island Dizzy* at once....

Now I'm also the glad owner of Fantasy World Dizzy and Super Off Road — I think this is the start of the C64 coming back!

Alex Harron (Issue Eight) asked what *Swiv* stands for. Well, I can tell — Silk Worm IV, but where the hell are numbers two and three?

Now, some questions:

1) Is The Last Ninja IV coming out on the C64? (I beg to god it is going to come!).

As far as we know, there have been no plans for another Last Ninja on any format — so don't hold your breath...



2) When is *Mayhem in Monsterland* going to hit the shelves from the Apex boys?

Two words: it's not. Basically, the guys from Apex decided that if they were to offer Mayhem through mail order, everyone would benefit. The cost will be lower, because the 'middle men' of the industry — such as distributors and retailers — won't be involved, removing the

need to bump the price up so they can have their 'cut'. As for when it's going to be available — keep reading COMMODORE FORCE to find out!

3) Is Datel's sound sampler the best around? *Probably*

4) Why not put the *Graphic Adventure Creator* on the Reel Action?

Why not indeed. Anyone wanting any particular game or utility on Reel Action should write to James, and, if demand is high enough for individual products, he'll do his utmost to bring them to you.

5) Why is C-Force the greatest C64 mag around? (I really mean it)

Ahh, but that would be telling!
Kay Arnesen, Sorreisa, Italy.

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● Good to hear you've discovered EDOS. As for SWIV meaning Silkworm IV, we're not so sure — despite the similarities between Silkworm and SWIV, we doubt it's intended as a follow-on. One suggestion bounced around the office was that SWIV was named after a London postcode — SWIV. Does anyone actually know for sure? Answers on a postcard please...

ADVANCED TACTICAL FINDER?

Howdy Lloyd!

I've got a serious problem. One (hot and sunny) day, my friend was on his way to meet me. When he came to a road he stopped and spotted something grey. It was a C64 game called ATF (Advanced Tactical Fighter). He picked it up and continued home to me. I put the tape into my datasette and loaded it in. After it had loaded, it started to flash 'security code=226=' in red and yellow. What shall I type in? If you or anybody else knows that, can you please, please tell me. Now I'll have to mention how good COMMODORE FORCE really is. Here in Sweden there are no other C64 mags (to my knowledge). There's a German mag called '64er or something like that, but I've only been reading the German language for two years.

I've got two more questions for you.

1) Will Sensible Soccer be coming out on the C64?

Oooh, I'd say there's a... let me think...
0.001% chance of Sensible reaching the
C64. Possibly less than that, come to think
of it

2) Is Microprose Soccer worth £15? Not when you consider it's available for £3.99 over here. Try giving Kixx (the budget company currently distributing it) a ring and ask about buying it through mail order.

Keep up the good work and greetings to everybody

'Bjorn Mac' Lindahl, SwedenPS If you answer this letter you ought to get a raise of at least 200%.

• A raise of 200 percent? 'Ought to' is one thing, but actually receiving is another. Sorry, but we can't help you with ATF. We're not accusing you of being a pirate, but hey — you could be a pirate for all we know!

MARKET BARGAINS

This letter is in response to the letter from Stuart Neale of Newton Heath, Manchester in your September issue.

I am, at thirty-seven, an even more mature reader of your monthly missive, and have now owned a C64 for around 12 months. I bought this machine after much debate/argument with my six-year-old son between consoles and computers. I won!

My son gets much enjoyment from the games available (our library now includes some 500 titles), and I enjoy both the games and the utilities that we own. Unlike Stuart, I luckily have a job and so am able to buy games when I want to -- but I will emphasise that I normally only buy budget games, usually one or two a month. I too had the same problem as Stuart when I went to the regular chain stores to buy software — only to be told 'Sorry there's no call for C64 games any more, you're best off buying a console'. NO WAY JOSE!

So. I did a bit of searching and found a computer retailer in the Manchester area that supports the C64 — they are BOLTON COMPUTER CENTRE, 148, Chorley Old Rd, Bolton. They support tape users mainly, but do carry some software on disk. Also, I've found car boot sales a great place to find software would you believe I bought Mini-Office 2 on tape, boxed and with the manual for one pound! I also found Project Stealth Fighter on disk with all the associated gubbins for a fiver I even got one of my disk drives for £20, although it did need a repair. Plus I picked up an MPS803 printer for £18.

So, the C64 is definitely not dead, no matter what the retailers may WANT to think — it just takes a bit of looking around.

Come Christmas, I do intend to buy an Amiga, but will not be sacrificing my C64 to finance it. I'll be making a worktop in my bedroom and the two Commodores can reside there, so both my sons and I can get double the pleasure from our computers. I will continue to buy COMMODORE FORCE and that other magazine -- I would not like to see either of the C64 mags go the way of Your Sinclair (what's that? -- Ed).

Last couple of things — The Blues Brothers was absolutely brilliant, keep them coming like that, and finally: keep up the good work.

Sorry it's been such a long letter, but I did have quite a lot to get off my chest, I will write again, but I'll keep it a bit shorter next time! All the best

Steve Nichol, Astley, Lancashire.

Thanks for the praise, and we're glad that you're sticking with your C64 and COMMODORE FORCE. Why not start buying AMIGA FORCE too — our sister magazine is the monthly to buy for the lowdown on all that's Amiga related. Cor, that was a bit of a shameless plug, wasn't it? LM

Dear COMMODORE FORCE. I've written a game called 'Legoland'. It is my first time and I wanted to know would you programme it for me, and send it back in the SAE enclosed. If you can't do this, please return cassette and written game. Amazingly enough, this isn't the only letter we've received requesting we become games

programmers overnight. Some poor fools even go as far as to include the legal disclaimer coupon found on the Reel Action pages! Our final say on the matter is: we write about games — we don't program them. Feel free to send games in, but make sure you've programmed

them first, eh?

Dear Bag-Man (That's you Lloyd!)

First of all I want to congratulate you all at the COMMODORE FORCE office for making such a brill mag! I've been getting it since Issue Three, and I look forward to it every month (though the long wait is a bit annoying!).

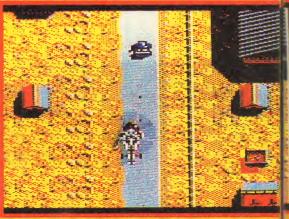
Right, now that the flattery's over, I think it's time to get down to business. Here are a few questions! 1) Why does everyone like football manager games? I think they're totally crap!

People like them because... they just do, okay? Why do people like boxing? It's a thoroughly barbaric sport, yet millions worldwide find it entertaining. In fact, why do people like anything? Why am I writing such a deep response to a flippant and inconsequential

Yeah, I think they're crap too...

2) Is James Bond — Licence to Kill any good? I don't know whether to buy it or not.

Of the several Bond games to hit the C64,



Licence to Kill is one of the best.

3) Take that bag off your head sometimes, will ya? Or are we safer when it's covering up yer mug? I'll treat that question with the contempt it deserves.

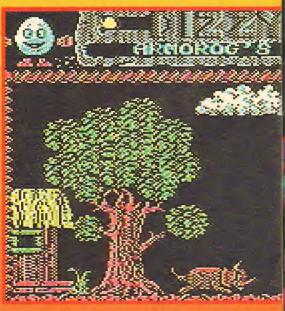
4) I recently bought 4 games: Rambo: First Blood, part two, Fist Fighter, Multimixx 3, and The Mega Pack. Could you tell me what you think of them? Rambo's a sound blast, Fist Fighter's dire,

Multimixx 3's a passable compilation, while The

Dear Bag Head (Mangram),

I just thought I'd like to say your letters section is my favourite part COMMODORE FORCE just in case you'd forgotten. I only have one complaint though - and that's about the PD section. In the past it's been rather disgusting. Luckily I have a strong stomach. Just to see how strong it is, let's remove the star in Issue Three. Joking aside, I now have an important question. Me and two of my friends (Martin/Stephen) are budding games designers. I think we could have a few Hurricane Hits on our hands. I bet you're getting bored with this - I am - so here's some questions:

1) I'm a little stuck in the first room of Danger --Adventurer at Work. Can you hep me? No chance — adventures aren't my scene. My life's a big enough adventure already! Drop Bash a line and I'm sure he'd be more than pleased to help.



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Mega Pack has a superlative in its title to suggest brilliance (or should that be meganess?). Hmmm.

5) Would it be possible for you to do a compo where the prize is a signed Oli Frey picture? I love

6) Is Miles really that ugly? And who the heck is Rod?

Rod is, in fact, Miles' brother, and wrote a review for us during his two weeks of SCOR. work experience here at Impact. I asked 9002 Miles if he's 'really that ugly', to which he retorted 'who's the one with the bag on his head, pal'. Whatever could he have LIVE

7) I'm 13 and I've had my good 'ol commy since I was three and a half. It's different in colour and the back isn't as big as modern C64s. Will this ever be a problem?

Not at all. It makes a better draft excluder, too. Come to think of it, if you ever go on a cruise, take it with you - in the event of an emergency, you can use it as a raft. Yup, the C64's a great all-rounder... Bye for now! Please print this letter. I'm sorry

it's so long, but I had a lot to say! Ian Flockhart, Co Wicklow, Ireland. PS The Blues Brothers — best Reel Action yet! Put a few more like that on yer tapes, will you?

• Reel Action will only get better, my friend. As for long, rambling letters, they're always welcome - but numbered questions do get boring after a while. Could we see a few less letters using them, please?



Dear Lloyd,

I have had my C64 for just a few months and have found it very enjoyable to use. My favourite type of game is sports which leads me too my question.

My friend has an Amiga 500, and on it he has

Jimmy White's "Whirlwind' Snooker which I find is the best snooker game ever. Would it be possible to make one similar for the C64? If not,

Chas, Manchester



Jimmy White's is, as you mentioned, the best snooker sim there has ever been. However, a C64 conversion would be, I'm afraid, simply impossible. The reasons are as follows. Basically, the complex mathematics involved in Jimmy White's are very time consuming. The C64 runs at a speed of roughly 0.5 MHz. When you compare this to the standard 16-bit Amiga and its running speed of around 7 MHz, you begin to see just how difficult it would be to convert. This, coupled with the C64's lower resolution graphics that would make displaying distant objects messy and awkward, is why there will never be a direct conversion or similar game. I'm not meaning to put the C64 down at all — it's one of the best games machines there has ever been - but there are a few things it simply can't cope with. Sad but true.



2) Will Prince of Persia, Zool and Troddlers ever be coming out on the C64? If they are, who by, how much, when and will they be as good as the originals?

Troddlers is currently being converted for the '64, but there are no firm plans to release either Zool or Prince of Persia in the immediate future.

3) I know it's an old question, but can you give me a cheat for Magicland Dizzy that doesn't involve an Action Replay cart or a long type-

I'm a letters man, not a Tipster. Write to him instead.

4) What is the best game ever, and is it easy to get hold of it? And verily, in the very issue that a question appeared, did the answer too - on page 33, to be precise...

5) Why do you always pick on Dizzy? I know he's a bit C...orny, but he's okay

He's an egg. He's supposedly a hero. His games are mostly okay, but he - and you've got to admit this — is just a little on the crap side, yes?

6) Will you send me a C64 as mine is 10 years old and a little broken. It works now and again, but not all the

Send me three crisp £50 notes and I'll consider it.

7) I don't think so, but is there any way to stop a game from crashing? I don't think so, but will I ever get a pay rise?

8) Will you come round for tea and biccies to try and figure out what's wrong with my C64, because Top Soft and Chips can't tell me. I'll come round and eat your

Commodore and tell you what's wrong with your tea and biscuits if you like, but I'm afraid C64 repairs aren't my strong suit.

Now for something different (because I can't think of anything to type). Who is the weirdest in CF? Who has the biggest nose in CF? Who is the fattest in CF?

Person lucky to be anonymous after the nose statement, Somewhere.

Listen pal — we've got no fat bignosed weirdos around here. In fact, we're all phenomenally attractive at COMMODORE FORCE — we just choose to have ugly caricatures lest our female readers fall madly in love with us. Alas, it hasn't worked - all our female readers HAVE fallen in love with us. Darn - my date diary's full to the end of the year... LAA

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DODGY GEAR

Dear Lloyd,

I've had my C64 for around 3 years — I got it as most of my friends had one. Last Christmas I got a Game Gear and played on it for ages. I found most games were addictive for a while, but too easy. After a month I went back to my C64 and I haven't been off it since.

The point is that most console games have ace presentation and all that stuff, but lastability's zero. You name a Sega/Nintendo/Neo Geo game, and I bet most C64 games owners could name a game identical but with more playability. That aside, here are some questions:

1) How come the last two issues have only reviewed four to five games a month?

Simply because there have been four to five games to review at that time.

2) Reel Action — any chance of another soccer game?

We shall see ...

3) Any chance of another tips book? **Again, we shall see...**

4) When are Arsenal, Fly Harder and Rolling Ronny 2 coming out?

Plans for Arsenal haven't been finalised yet
— it might be released, but it's equally
likely to not be. Fly Harder was
programmed by a German software house
who we can't contact properly — they don't
speak any English! Finally, we've heard no
whisper of a Rolling Ronny sequel being
released

5) Will *Speedball 2* appear again? *It's unlikely.*

6) Where is *Beavers* by Grandslam? Where is it indeed...

Andy Page, Hull, N Humberside

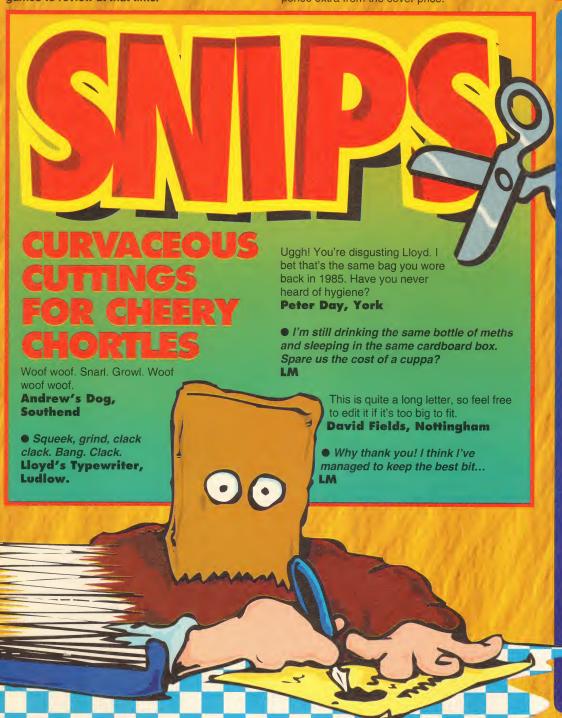
PS Hope you get a pay rise: maybe that four pence extra from the cover price!

• A pay rise? What's that? Come to think of it, what's 'pay'?



As the sun began to set, the Impact Magazines buildings closed and the **COMMODORE FORCE** crew set off towards the pub. Just behind them, a lone figure on a bike began the difficult journey back home, over, under and occasionally through Ludlow's many hills. On the small satchel slung over his shoulder was a name tag. It read simply: 'Lloyd Mangram'. Pausing only to hurl abuse at a passing console owner, the grumpy god of letters continued his weary way back to his humble abode. If you want to write to him to be abused or (if you're sycophantic enough) creep in the hope of getting the Letter of the Month — or even the Kipper — here's the address: MANGRAM'S MAILBAG, COMMODORE FORCE, IMPACT MAGAZINES, LUDLOW, SHROPSHIRE SY8 1JW. So for now, it's farewell

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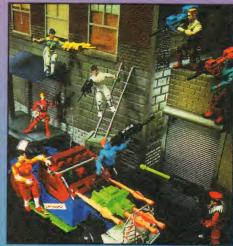
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For thirty years, Saturday nights have had millions glued to their TVs as a fiesta of footy frolics spew forth into living rooms nationwide. Can a C64 recreate the thrills and spills of TV's Match of the Day? Des 'n' Jimmy host the show with MILES 'SWEEPER SYSTEM' GUTTERY offering professional comment...

hey're a funny breed, these soccer management games. Just about all of them have a clumsy team selection system, heaps of figures and skill ratings which have no apparent bearing on the game, and — above all — a distinct lack of action. If these are the necessary ingredients for a classic, then *Match of the Day* will surely go down in history books. My own personal theory however, is that *MOTD* is yet another simplistic prog with nothing to offer that stretches the machine or genre — in any way, shape or form.

Match's options are presented in a neat icon form, with the main options screen being a representation of your managerial diary. Within this magical volume are pages for each day of the week; each of which have five 'appointment' slots to be allocated to various aspects of running the club. To assist you with your tasks, you've got various ground staff — you can liaise with the physio to keep star players in tip-top condition, while the coach tells you who's not performing, allowing you to devise a suitable training program.

Players have four skill ratings for goalkeeping, defence, midfield and attack. This tends to be a little unrealistic, as you'll often find your midfield playmaker is also the best goalie. Perhaps a better approach would have been to separate keepers from outfield players and give them a different rating system altogether. Probably the most important member of the management team (apart from your good self, of course) is the scout. It's he you rely on to recommend suitable players for purchase, though at the start it's advisable to bring in a few free transfers to build the team. The no-hopers you start with are far from a vehicle to glory.

Foul play, ref!

The match sequence, it must be said, is pretty poor. A number of preset animations represent 'highlights' of the game, with Des Lynam and Chinny Hill offering comments on the progress of play. According to the inlay, Jimmy's warblings 'give an indication of how your team is being perceived by the general public'. Am I missing something? Statements such as 'Excellent skills by York' or 'It could go either way' really aren't all that enlightening. Mercifully, there's an option to turn off the match altogether, in which case you're simply presented with the day's results.

Speaking of which, the scores are pretty unsatisfactory as well. Rarely does a game have less than five goals (usually six or seven) and neither side can score more than seven in a match. Even without fielding any players I only lost seven-nil. Mind you, it was against West Brom!

The cheery chairman's your main enemy. When he appears it's either to inform you of a free-transfer listed player having been snapped up by another club, or to fire you for either losing too many matches or putting the club's bank balance into the red.

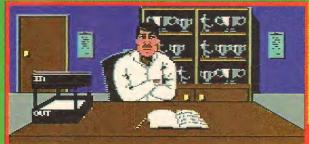
All the essential elements of a management game are in Match of the Day. but no true excitement is generated. Including real player names would've added a deal to the overall appeal, as would a less fiddly method of picking the team. They're presented as a list with each man's position next to his name, but in no particular order -- it's often difficult to see who's doing what. Another niggle is the way injured players are automatically removed from the line up without any on-screen indication. Unless you actually ring up the physio and specifically ask about injuries you won't even know. Because of this, you frequently end up fielding the team with less than eleven men. There's nothing in the program to prevent this — a warning message would've

In essence, most of what *Match* has to offer is okay, but the simplistic matter of merely balancing the books and keeping track of who's fit doesn't make for compulsive gameplay. Couple this with odd unrealistic bits — such as silly score-lines and dodgy player abilities — and you've a game that only very bored (or boring) people will stick with for

more than three or four matches.



● Above: The diary. This is where your precious managerial time is delegated to various activities. But hey — where's the pub icon? Or the 'employ fish-like keeper' option? Sheesh.



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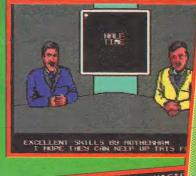
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Ahh, how things used to be. I can still remember Football Manager, and its

diabolical 'match highlights'. Does Match of the Day offer more? It's well-presented, but beauty's only skin deep, after all. There are so many management games available at a budget price that another insipid addition is hardly welcome — and that's exactly what Match is. I tried and tried to find redeeming features, but everything it has to offer is all so... average! I'd have expected such a prestigious licence (where football is concerned) to have offered a little more. Sadly while Match is hardy relegation material, it's nowhere near championship fodder. Even

worse is that I've just included a footballing cliché at the end of my comment. Oh bunnies.

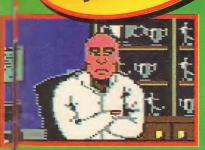




• Match of the Day's game sequence is pretty darn poor, with several players moving in pre-set directions, of which there are few. So you're supposed to judge how well your team are doing

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For the past week, I've been wondering what Bee

52 reminds me of. At a glance, it seems fairly original - or at least as original as shoot-'em-ups can be these days. Well, I've remembered now. A similar game — called The Birds And The Bees (those were the days, eh?) - has been released before, including pollen collecting, baddie shooting and a hero called Barnabee (sic). Whether that partially inspired Bee 52 or not I'm unsure, but what I do know is that Codemasters' new release is lacking in content. Sure, flying around for the first few levels is fun, but Bee 52's lack of level codes and variety of gameplay soon irritate. It looks good, with smooth scrolling parallax and colourful, well-defined sprites but, quite frankly, if I want good-looking visuals I can watch TV or visit an art gallery. What I expect from computer game is playability, pure and simple. Take away Bee 52's (admittedly excellent) cosmetics, and you're left with shallow gameplay, a stupid difficulty level... need I continue? Oh

No, it's true - bumble bees can't fly! The ratio of wing area to body mass of your average bumbly is such that it's physically impossible for them to get airborne. Obviously, no-one told the bees. Not that the portly little fellows care a

jot, and who'd have it any other way? Anyway, if you're like me you're bound to have spent lazy afternoons sprawled on the lawn watching that serene yellow and black parade, and you'll have thought 'easy life' before pausing to contemplate the thought of swapping places. In the

absence of any sort of transmogrification gadgetry

to facilitate such a change however, Codemasters have an alternative solution. surreptitiously neglecting to notice it ever again we

can, following that self-indulgently over-long and rambling introduction, check out the game...

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. and what a strange little cookie it is. Taking inspiration from that old chestnut — the

horizontally-scrolling shoot-'em-up — a poor little bee needs help. He's the only one left in his hive, and a lot of honey needs making or someone will have his stripes for confetti.

So it came to pass that our little friend left the warm cosy hive to find



by the apparently restful screenshots there's nasties abound in Bee 52. Why d'ya think our hero's cowering in that flower.



well - at least it doesn't have

a multiload..





9 Buzz £3.99 cassette, £4.99 disk

At the start of every season, most players aren't quite up to 100% fitness. Their play's scrappy in places, individuals start to tire badly during the second half... a managers nightmare and nothing but. Can MILES 'FAT STRIKER' **GUTTERY** get the measure of Buzz's Manchester United Europe, or are they both early shower material?

You can hardly tell the

the football season's started again, can you? After seemingly aeons without a soccer game appearing, three arrive in the space of two months --- fortunately, two of them aren't bad. Manchester United Europe is a great improvement over its predecessor, but I can't help but think its match sequence could've been improved. As it is, it's good, but

having seen the speed of, say, Liverpool, I'm a little less forgiving with slow-paced soccer games.

Other than mentioning its (irritating) multiload, there's not much to say about Europe — there's very little about it that provokes either a positive or negative response. In my books, that makes it average, and you know what mark an average game gets, don't

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reason for a follow up to the cosmetically-sound but ultimately limited (read

disappointing) first Manchester United game. Aiming to re-create United's glory on Europe's finest stage, the European, UEFA and Cup Winners cups are included, with 170 (no kidding) top continental sides to battle against.

challenge Like its predecessor, MUE's a jack o' trades. You can either play it as a pure management game with matches turned off and merely results displayed, or you can allow the computer to control your team and watch through gritted teeth as your master plan unfolds on screen. Anyone feeling extra tough can get to grips with full management and then take control, arcade style, during matches. However if picking teams and formations send you to the land of nod, you can turn off the management element altogether and play friendlies against the computer

Although MUE looks similar to the first United game in terms of the mix 'n' match levels of strategy and arcade action on offer, anyone familiar with the original will notice one or two major differences. Most importantly, the first game had its emphasis on tactics and a match section too simplistic to provide real arcade satisfaction. Almost the opposite can be said of Europe. Gone are any transfer market dealings, training up of

tired they get, the slower they become, yet their the comical sight — towards the end of a tough game — of players, legs and arms thrashing along at 90mph, progressing up the pitch at

a rate more becoming of arthritic tortoises. This is a minor quibble, though, as the football isn't actually bad. A get the controls sorted it's a fair complex system of before

and aftertouch allows a great variety of shots, be accessed. The subtleties of control

certainly take time to master, with some movements not as instinctive as they might have been — but a real sense of satisfaction is felt when you get it right, and the ball hits the back of the net.

Europe's programmers opted for a system where the ball actually sticks to players' feet during dribbling, rather than being tapped along in front (like in Liverpool). Fortunately, this helps prevent that all-too-common problem of players being able to run through opposing defences time and again without being tackled. The man in possession moves at a distinctly slower rate, meaning mastery of accurate passing is a must. Another welcome feature are competent goalkeepers, making scoring all the more skilful. If you find yourself getting hit for six by the computer it's possible to alter computer skill/speed levels in goalkeeping,

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defence, midfield and attack to compensate. Conversely, once you start to improve you can tone down your own team's abilities for a stiffer challenge.

Time's relentless stroll has left one or two aspects of *Europe* a little outdated. Player names can be edited but there's no sign of the backpass rule, and the European cup is still a straight knockout tournament — there's no sign of the league system now used to decide the last eight. Also, a big annoyance while playing the cups is having to load in the match sequence separately, then reload the management section after the final whistle.

The absence of any sort of league's a shame, but once you get the controls sorted it's a fair challenge for solo players and a good head to head if any of ya

mates are of a mind to join in.



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you can see, they're the best of friends. I guess there's nothing like the greatest game in the world to bring people together. And verrily his faith in human nature was truly re-affirmed.



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Ahh, nostaligia. I can remember the time I fought twelve heavilyarmed giants to the death with a toilet roll. It was a technique I'd learnt after watching the **Bluey Peter Extreme** Violence with **Household Objects** Special. And you know what? That's not all. I can also string up goblins from seventy paces away with a Opal Fruits wrapper, several shoelaces and an empty cerial packet... but that's another story. Y'know, people often write to me, asking 'Bash, what's your favourate adventure?'. So, in-keeping with the spirit of this issue (what with the team's top 100 games and all that). I've decided to

t the risk of sounding something akin to a Tyrannosaurus Rex or other fossilized creature, I admit to having been around at the start of the adventuring scene. In fact, I have more 'Golden Oldie' adventures under my belt than trolls scalps — not surprisingly, it's a very big belt. Over the years I've seen a great variety of adventures, ranging from the downright grotty-and-not-worth-playing to the superb. The best of these I treasure and keep carefully wrapped on a ledge in the back of my caverns, so that at some future time

reveal all...

might go back and play them over again.

One of the great differences between an arcade

game and an adventure is the extremely long shelflife of adventures — they keep on selling for ages and can usually be picked up for little to nothing years after their initial release This is great for younger adventurers arriving on the scene, who'd like to experience some of the classics we 'oldies' grew up on. Pardon me for rambling — I'll tell you something about them.

The first real adventure I played properly — I say properly because we all have one game that 'got us hooked' in the first place - was called The Quest and came on a compilation along with nine others produced by Commodore themselves. Imagine my surprise upon loading it to be confronted by a text description on-screen — 'You are standing outside the entrance to a large cave, heavy rain is falling all around you', followed by a flashing cursor. Now in those days I was quite new to computing, and I honestly thought the 'game' had crashed. There was nothing to shoot at! After brutally smashing my surrounding scenery in surprise. I entered the only command I knew at the time, which was RUN, and my head nearly fell off when back flashed the response — 'In which direction?'. The pleasure of finding I could actually hold a (vaguely) sensible conversation with the computer was fantastic - that particular game seemed to have a cheeky response to almost every input. In fact, my discovering adventures was widely regarded as one of the best things to happen to my neighbourhood for years — fatalities among trolls, goblins and Home Economics teachers fell dramatically. Back to the point...

Having completed it, (despite it taking me a whole year!), I set about looking for more of the same - I wasn't disappointed. In those days you could get adventures from High Street shops quite easily. Truly memorable ones played during those early days included Classic Adventure and Morden's Quest. The latter was severely underrated in my humble opinion — it's a real gem and I'm happy to see it's still being enjoyed by COMMODORE FORCE readers to this day! It has all the ingredients for a great adventure — lots of variety and heaps of subtle humour to lighten things up when the going gets tough. It was really enjoyable and not until years later did I realise it'd been written with the aid of The Quill (an essential adventure-writing utility). If you can get your eager little hands on that one, you're in for a treat.

Level Headed...

It was around that time I first discovered Level 9 Software. Ah, those were the days. Every adventure they produced on their earlier creation system was a joy to play — favourites being Adventure Quest, Dungeon Adventure, Lords Of Time, Erik The Viking and The Silicon Dream Trilogy. Dungeon Adventure featured a ramp that

wound down into a dungeon complex, where it seemed there were a thousand different ways to die!

If you like to travel in your adventures and haven't set foot upon the Eden Transport System — found in each of the Silicon Dreams Trilogy — then you haven't lived!

Around that time a friend introduced me to Infcom Adventures. For those not familiar with Infocom, these are considered

to be the 'Rolls Royces' of adventures — and rightly so! Each game seems to have been a

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Send Rd, I Mak unique experiment. Lurking Horror was so cleverly programmed and written that you really jumped when the horrible black creature slammed into the dome behind you in the dead of night. In Plundered Hearts, everyone (male and female players) had the opportunity to swoon into the arms of Captain Nick the pirate, as you took on the role of a damsel in distress in a real 'Mills and Boon'-type adventure where you really DID meet a fate worse than death if you were not careful! In Planetfall and Stationfall you had the exciting — if rather dubious — pleasure of meeting Floyd the robot, an unforgettable, lovable if mischievous little fellow. In Leather Goddesses Of Phobos there was the opportunity to live out fantasies with some rather raunchy sex kittens of outer space. Here you could play as either a male or female character — the way you told the adventure what sex you were was decided by which toilet you used in the opening sequence! Of course, the most fun was to be had if you played in LEWD mode! Accompanied by your trusty partner, Trent, you roamed various planets and environments, with the aid of several circular black exit holes. Trent kept on getting himself killed off, but usually appeared a few moves later with the most hilarious excuses for why he wasn't really dead — hard going when the last time you saw him he was being blown to smithereens after flinging himself over a hand grenade to save your life!

When avid fans approached Infocom with the plea that they produce a really difficult adventure, they put their heads together and came up with one of the most tricky, complicated and exhausting games ever — Spell Breaker. It was an adventure that, once completed, you felt you needed a couple of weeks rest before tackling it again! The plot was most ingenious. You were provided with a cube at the start and with the aid of magic could write on it a distinguishing name of your choice, which the computer recognised. This was quite fun as you had to use the magic word to get into the cube to find more exits to other parts of the adventure. The name on the cube came in extremely useful as you picked up other identical cubes which, in turn, led to other areas — some of the puzzles you came

across were truly mind-blowing.

I've also played my fair share of graphic adventures on the trusty Commodore — although these aren't my favourite type I have to say that memorable ones have been ZAK MCCRACKEN AND THE ALIEN MINDBENDERS and DEJA VU.

So, you're wondering which adventures are my personal favourates, then? Here's what — and why — they are:

SPELLBREAKER — the most complicated/difficult adventure.

MORDEN'S QUEST — the best budget adventure.

LORDS OF TIME — simply for the pure enjoyment it provides.

DEJA VU — best graphic adventure.

If you have difficulty in obtaining any of the adventures mentioned here, try placing a small ad in the 'In Touch' section of Adventure Probe magazine (reviewed last issue). You're sure to find someone who'd like to sell you theirs — contact Barbara Gibb at: ADVENTURE PROBE, 52 Burford Rd, Liverpool L16 6AQ.

BASH'S MAILBAG

Mrs Dee Ball of Denmark wrote to me this month to complain that, whilst everyone else seems able to catch a nice Little Gold Fish in Atalan, she only seems able to come up with a measly Little Silver Fish, so what's to do? Well Dee, you seem to have your timing wrong. Once you've examined the Lake for the first time, to be told that you can see a Little Golden Fish, then you have just 100 moves before the Golden Fish is replaced by a Silver one. The best thing to do is to get all your fishing tackle organised before you go to the Lake, then examine it and get fishing without delay. It isn't a treasure though, but something it swallowed is...

Glyn Williams of Portsmouth wrote to ask me where he could get his eager little hands on an adventure called *Tax Returns*, which he'd been told he couldn't do without. Well I'm sorry to be the bearer of bad news, Glyn, but that particular adventure, written by Steve Clay, isn't available on the C64 at present. However, if you've got a spare Spectrum or Amstrad lying

Janet Hurling of Manchester wrote to tell me that she can't make any headway at all with *The Lost World*, and is dying to get up to the plateau so she can start exploring properly. Okay Janet, just for you, here are the opening moves to get you on your way: INVENTORY, EXAMINE EQUIPMENT, EXAMINE TORCH, WEST, ON

TORCH, IN, TAKE ROPE, EXAMINE STONES, TAKE MACHETE, OUT, EAST, EAST, EXAMINE BAMBOO, CUT BAMBOO, EXAMINE SKELETON, READ LABEL, EXAMINE LABEL, TAKE AXE, go back to the campsite, SOUTH, SOUTH, EXAMINE PLATEAU, CLIMB PINNACLE, EXAMINE TREE, CHOP TREE, CROSS TREE. There you are, now you can really start exploring. Have fun!

Rodger Guest of Liverpool wrote to say he couldn't get through the wall of fire in *Pyramid*. Roger forgot the golden rule of examining everything — what about the blanket on the camp bed? Of course, if the blanket was saturated with water and worn it might be just as useful as an asbestos suit!

I've had two requests from different people who are stuck at different stages whilst playing Adventure In Time And Space. Jason Jones of Cardiff is stuck in the deserted space station and Garry Hudson of Scunthorpe is stumped by the far off planet. Neither were very specific about their particular problems, but here's something that might push them in the z3right direction.

In the Deserted Space Station you should TURN the HOOK on the Bunk to find a secret passage. The magnetic boots should be worn before going outside. On the far off planet, you need to get the clock working to distract the guard and you also need to look like the guard in order to enter the prohibited area. Use the paper clip from the office to pick the lock. Don't forget to cut the fruit as you'll need the contents for later on.

Peter Wainwright of Warrington wrote to tell me he's discovered a strange bug in Sherlock by Melbourne House. It seems that if he wears the chinaman's disguise whilst in Mrs Jones' house, just before entering the secret passage, he gets the strange response 'THE CHINAMAN SAYS TO THE CHINAMAN, TELL THE CHINAMAN 0051001' followed by a crash. This is another golden oldie adventure, and, unfortunately seems to have more bugs in it than I have in my back garden! I remember merrily hailing a cab whilst standing outside my Baker Street lodgings during one never to be forgotten session, and the cab just never arrived. I decided to go back inside and reappear to try once more, only to find the blasted cab, complete with cabbie, sitting in the hallway! I tried for hours to get the stupid thing out of there and finally had to give up and start again in disgust. Oh, Peter, a word of warning — later on in the adventure (near the end), you have to get into a cab and chase the criminals to a final confrontation. Make sure you elbow everyone out of the way and jump in first as there are so many stupid characters jostling each other to get inside that you may find there's no room, and you might just miss the big finish! Oh, I nearly forgot — the chinaman's disguise is needed but only to get into the Opium Den when trailing the Major, but that's back in London. Also, make sure you don't miss any trains as you pop back and forth. Ah, isn't adventuring

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Well that's all there's time for this month folks! Keep writing in and don't forget to enclose an SAE if you want a personal reply. Remember the golden rule — when indulging in a spot of troll-bashing, always keep a smirk on your face. It really winds them up!

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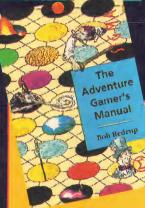
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something definite about next issue.
You see, with deadlines, release schedules and
other such trials, it's always difficult to promise
anything.

We'll this time we're going to. Next month we'll be covering Virgin's hot new movie tie-in, Alien 3, in a four (or possibly five) page review, including an interview with Sigourney Weaver, star of the three Alien films. Sounds good? We'll also have Alien 3's predecessor — Aliens, not surprisingly — on Reel Action, among others. Remember Creatures and Creatures 2? The Rowlands Brothers — programmers of the aforementioned classics — are currently putting the finishing touches to Mayhem in Monsterland. You've read our preview this issue — in Issue #12, we'll have the review. We've no doubt you'll want to buy the game as well — so we're now giving you the opportunity to. See the coupon somewhere on the page? That's your ticket — along with the necessary amount of cash — to own a copy of Mayhem in the not-too-distant future. You see, Apex are only offering Monsterland through mail-order: you'll not find it in a shop of any description...

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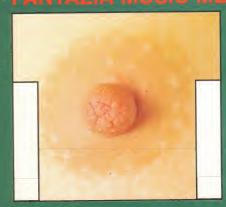
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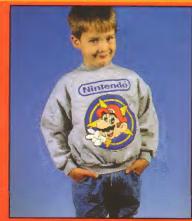
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